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## The Mill Paper

### Mr. H. B. Wood of Commonwealth Press Gives Short Talk

While plans were maturing for the publication of "The Hamiltonian," H. B. Wood, of the Commonwealth Press, was invited to come to the plant, and in the Recreation Room on December 26 he spoke to a gathering of about 50 employees on the subject of "Shop Papers." "Thirty years ago," said Mr. Wood, "a house organ, or 'internal shop paper,' had not been heard of, but with the growth of industry and the steady improvement in factory conditions came the realization that a paper published by and for the employees would serve a very useful purpose.

"Through its columns the employees are brought in closer sympathy with each other, extending the opportunities for better acquaintance and creating a community spirit that must inevitably work for the common good. There are many things in which all are interested," continued Mr. Wood, "and many more in which we would take interest if we knew about them. You spend a third of your life in the factory, and that time ought to be passed under the most favorable conditions possible, and one way of helping along is to take an interest in the fellows around you, in what is doing around the shop, in helping others along, and thereby helping yourself.

"If you do your work better, you have more satisfaction in it, the consciousness of knowing that you have done your best, and that it will be appreciated. Sometimes you may think that your efforts are not observed; but they are, and in the long run you will be the gainer. With this spirit you certainly will do better work, because you are interested. This purpose of doing things well will grow upon you, and you will find yourself coming to a broader understanding of the industry in which you are engaged. You will know about other departments besides your own, and see clearly how the parts work in unison to complete the product of the factory. Many phases of shop activities which you have barely thought of will unfold to your view, and before you know it you have a firm grasp of the industry and have thus become more helpful to yourself and to the organization as a whole."

This paper is entirely for the employees, the company giving them the widest latitude in its publication. All that is expected and hoped for is that it will prove a good thing for all concerned, and promote friendliness and goodwill throughout the plant. The news will be for the employees in the factory in any capacity whatsoever, and what is published must be of interest to them or it will not be a success.

There is a big field in Americanization work. This paper will do what it can to further that work. And then there is the matter of safety devices, to explain

their purposes and thus ward off accidents about the factory.

Your athletics have been well developed already, but the publicity that the paper will give to all kinds of sports will be of great advantage and help to spur both men and women on toward proficiency. With greater interest in sports they become better, until a large number of people before uninterested will become active participants.

Gardening and housing problems may be discussed to great advantage in a shop paper, as well as many other subjects of direct concern to all.

## Title Contest Arouses Great Interest

### One Hundred and Ten Names Suggested

The Winners Are Miss Grace Templeman, Miss Vera Morin, Miss Mary Coughlin, and Adam Prantkielewicz

Interest in the selection of a title for our shop paper was very general. The Publicity Committee offered a prize of \$10 for the best title, the decision to be left to Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Varnum, and Mr. Mitchell, who at the request of the committee kindly consented to act as judges. Every person in the plant was invited to participate in the contest, each being limited to one choice. The names were sent to Mr. Rich, chairman of the committee, and were turned over to the judges, the names of the senders being withheld, so that the judges did not know to whom they were awarding the prize.

There were 110 contestants, and 91 different titles were suggested. Some names were duplicated, and the winning title, "The Hamiltonian," was sent in by four different persons, which will make it necessary to divide the prize money.

The winners are Miss Grace Templeman, Miss Vera Morin, Miss Mary Coughlin, and Adam Prantkielewicz. The judges found themselves in quite a quandary when they set themselves to the task of deciding which name was the best, for out of the 91 different titles submitted many were so good that the judges hesitated a long time. After much thought and consultation they finally decided, all things considered, that "The Hamiltonian" would meet with general favor, suggesting as it does the name of the Company, as well as having a pleasing sound. The committee in charge of getting out the first number of the paper is unanimous in the opinion that the name will appeal to the greater number of the employees.

But, after all, "what's in a name?" It is something more than this that is to make the paper what the committee hopes it will be. Success will be achieved if every one tries to make it the best shop paper anywhere around, keeping up the interest in its publication and helping out with articles and items. The editors will at all times appreciate any suggestions for the improvement of the paper, and want you to feel that you have just as much interest in it as any one else. With your hearty co-operation "The Hamiltonian" will make its regular appearance monthly, and we hope it will be among the most welcome of visitors in your homes. It was our intention to publish a list of the names submitted, but upon further reflection and because of the many things pressing for decision we concluded to omit it.

## Greetings

The Editorial Committee has asked me to write a few lines for this issue of "The Hamiltonian," the first periodical published by the employees of a Company nearly one hundred years old. The paper really speaks for itself, and I feel sure that after you have read it you will agree with me that the committee has done a mighty good job, and also that we have among us many hitherto unknown newsgutters of ability and much literary talent. I predict that before many issues have appeared this publication will have become an established feature of our community life and that we will wonder how it could have existed for nearly a century without it.

It is intended that "The Hamiltonian" shall be issued by and for the employees. The Management will take no hand in the editing; and although the officials may occasionally use its columns, their contributions will be in the form of signed articles such as any employee may submit to the editors for publication. The cost is borne by the Company, and distribution is free to all employees. This arrangement is necessary inasmuch as the paper is published in the name of the Hamilton Woolen Company and must, therefore, be a credit to the organization. It must be conducted in a spirit of fairness and courtesy to every individual employee. No other condition is imposed.

"The Hamiltonian" will form an entertaining record of the activities and interests of the Hamilton Woolen Company, its employees, their families, and friends. It is hoped that it may help us all to know more about our fellow workers and to take a deeper interest in their welfare, their recreations, and their fancies. If it accomplish this simple purpose, modest though it may be in form and substance, it will be a great success.

*J. Bay. Armstrong*

Now, as to "Personals," and by "Personals" I mean the jokes, if you want to call them that, the practical jokes, or otherwise, that go from time to time among the fellows and are a source of amusement—some fellow goes skating, falls in, and the other fellow takes his girl home, etc. You will be surprised to learn how many things happen in and around the factory. Lots of funny things happen, but are never heard of except in small groups. Here is an opportunity to give publicity to the really funny things. But in the matter of jokes, great discretion should be exercised. Be sure they do not cause a wound. Keep them good natured all the time. A good plan is to make sure the victim of a joke will take it in good part. If there is any doubt, don't use it.

Historical items regarding the Hamilton Woolen Company will prove of interest if rightly handled. Here is a field to exercise your talent and add to the

interest of the paper. Articles of pure information relative to the woolen industry in general may be published from time to time; and as to literary efforts, the paper will, in so far as it has space, publish them. Avoid making such articles too long, and don't be disappointed if you don't see them in print. Frequently the merit of the article has nothing to do with its omission from the columns of "The Hamiltonian." It may be there is not space, or it may be a dozen other things. Don't ask to have poems printed that may be found in any good book of poems.

Besides the literary side of the matter, we have here musical talent of a high order. This should be cultivated, and interest will grow in entertainments of the better sort.

Other topics that may well come in for discussion in these pages are those relating to medical care, relief association, and home economics.



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### A Big Show

At the last regular meeting of the Hamilton Club, it was decided to give a minstrel show within the next two or three months. A committee was duly appointed, and it set out upon its duties at once.

At the first meeting, the names of all persons that the committee could think of were set down, and arrangements made to interview each one to see if he was willing to take part. The committee realizes that it has unknowingly overlooked some of the very best talent in the mill, and, therefore, appeals to you to hand in your own name or the name of any one else you think could help out.

We are not going to be satisfied with simply a minstrel show. This is going to be the biggest and best show ever seen in Southbridge—in fact, something different. But in order to do this, the committee must have the co-operation of every one in the mill. So do not be backward about coming forward. Hand in your names and suggestions to one of the committee.

MARY CUDDIHY,  
HARRY KNOWLES,  
RICHARD DALE, Chairman.

### English Classes

The evening classes in English and citizenship were opened this year, Monday, November 3, 1919, in the Recreation Room.

The enrollment was small at the beginning; but this has gradually grown, and at the present time we have an average attendance of twenty-three pupils. It has been gratifying to note the gradual increase in enrollment, indicating an appreciation of the educational opportunities offered. At the present time five teachers are in attendance.

The real aim of this course in English and citizenship is to teach simple English and to give the pupils the power of expression in English, also to help the men to become familiar with the forms that they will contend with when they fill out their first naturalization papers.

This year any member of an employee's family who cannot read and write in the English language has the privilege of taking up this course, provided that he is not employed elsewhere where English classes are being held. At the present time we have two outside pupils that are taking advantage of this. One of them has not missed one lesson since the course started.

The course will no doubt extend until April 1, 1920, and it is our desire that every new employee, as well as any of our old employees, will take advantage of this opportunity.

### Hot Coffee

Tea or Cocoa

Tastes good this cold weather  
Bring your dinner to the Lunch Room  
and enjoy it.

Good reading matter, playing cards  
and checkers in the Waiting Room.

Dancing in the Recreation Room  
12.30 to 12.55 P. M.

### Regarding the Hamilton Club

The Hamilton Club was organized on February 11, 1919, to promote the welfare of the employees of the Hamilton Woolen Company, to furnish them entertainment and amusement, and to bring them into closer fellowship. Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month.

Committees have been appointed to arrange for a guest night sometime this month and to stage a minstrel show in the near future. The dates will be published later.

The Club has charge of all athletic events in connection with the Hamilton Woolen Company, which makes it necessary for an employee who wishes to enter into contests for which prizes are offered, to be a member of the Club.

If you are an employee of the Hamilton Woolen Company and not a member of the Hamilton Club, you are missing something worth while. Join at your earliest convenience and enter into the sport you like best. If there is not a committee to take care of the particular sport you want, one will be appointed if enough interest is shown among the other members to warrant a committee.

Join to-day. The fee is nominal, and you cannot afford to be an outsider.

### French Orphan Adopted



It is a source of great pleasure for us to announce that the Hamilton Red Cross has adopted a little girl in France, orphaned by the Great War. This young lady, whose name is Lucienne Jaille, is now thirteen years of age. She was born in the city of Noyon and was forced to leave when the Germans attacked the city, and took refuge in St. Antonin with her grandmother. She is looking forward to the time when she can come to this country and thank her "godmothers" for what they are doing for her. We know from the past that anything the Hamilton Woolen Company does is sure going to be for the best, so we are quite sure Lucienne's future is going to be a bright one.

### Baseball Players Get Sweaters

Fifteen members of the Hamilton Club baseball team were presented with handsome sweaters recently. The sweaters were heavy winter sweaters, maroon color, with H. W. Co. in monogram in white on them. The Hamilton Club presented these sweaters to those who through last season stood by the team faithfully and who worked hard to put our team through a winner. Although the pennant didn't come to us this year, the early spring will find our boys out and full of pep to make a good try for it this coming season. We will have a baseball field of our own this year, which will allow of plenty of practice, a respect in which we were handicapped last year.

### Riverside

A recent addition to the spinning department is the acquisition of the Riverside Worsted Mills of Worcester, Mass., which is known to us as department 2-R. We expect to have a reporter for the net issue at this Worcester mill, and that through the exchange of news items we will become better acquainted with our fellow workers.

The 2-R plant is equipped with 5,904 spinning spindles and all other necessary machinery for making yarns.

Mr. J. N. Shutts, who is well known to all of us, is assistant superintendent of this plant, while our Mr. Cornock is superintendent, although he visits the plant but once a week.

There are over one hundred operators at this mill, among whom are Miss Mary L. Sullivan, clerk; Mr. Wm. Beck, overseer of drawing; Mr. Walter Metcalf, overseer of spinning; and Mr. Rosario Nadeau, overseer of twisting and winding.

### Engineering Department Growing

The personnel of the engineering department was recently enlarged by admitting Mr. C. H. Matthews to the fold.

Mr. Matthews, who was formerly with the Fisk Rubber Co., has undertaken the important work of collecting cost data and information of a mechanical nature on every piece of machinery in the mill.

Although we have not yet had an exhibition of his skill, it is reported that Mr. Matthews is an expert bowler, so we give warning to our opponents that we may be more formidable than before.

Not many of us at the Hamilton had the pleasure of meeting the gentleman before, but we understand that he previously spent enough time in Southbridge to find his "better half."

### Changes In Big Mill

A large double piston steam engine, known to those who were familiar with it as "Parella," which for a while stood beside another steam engine which was known as "Lizy," has at last been removed. The space left by this removal will be used for bobbin and roving storage after the carpenters have made it suitable for that purpose.

The belt shop has had its storeroom remodeled recently to accommodate its growing stock.

The old wool washroom, now drawing room No. 2, has been changed somewhat by the carpenters. The open arches that formerly opened into the wooden lean-to structure of the building have been glassed in and made tight, thus making a cozy room of the drawing room and also making the wooden structure part of the building a nice room of itself.

Notices have been posted about the mill announcing an evening school to be opened in the Recreation Room. This course will be similar to the evening courses offered in the best textile schools and will cover the manufacture of worsted yarn from the raw wool. Mr. Guy E. Branch will be the instructor, and the course will cover two years, being given Tuesday and Thursday evenings during the winter months. Those desiring to enter this school should apply to Mr. H. F. Ryan at the employment office.

### Raising Children

Having never been a mother, my ignorance upon this important subject, if reduced to writing, would make an exceedingly bulky volume; therefore, this epistle will be decidedly brief. There are several ways of raising children. Some are raised upon the bottle; others in a more natural manner, and a few by the hair of their head. The latter is the more effectual way.

There are several methods of quieting a child. One way is to rock it to sleep, using rocks of a moderate size; another less heroic style of treatment is to flood it with a standard brand of soothing syrup. While these concoctions are as dangerous as a damp cellar, they never fail to put the child to sleep, although subsequent streamers of white ribbon upon the bell-knob may forcibly suggest that your efforts to awaken it have not been crowned with marked success.

Boys from eight to fourteen years are of a disagreeable age. During that time they should be headed up in a barrel and fed through the bung hole.

When they are eighteen, they know considerably more than their parents and only discover the fact some ten years later. Girl babies are, to my mind, far sweeter than those of the other sex. I do not use the word "sweeter" in a cannibalistic sense. They increase in interest after they are able to take notice, and are about sweet sixteen.—*Top Hill Scribe*

### Basketball

Although athletic activities at the plant of the Hamilton Woolen Company this season have not as yet been extended to include basketball, the fact that the Hamilton Club is not represented on the floor by a quintet in keeping with the high standard of Hamilton athletics has not been due to a lack of material or interest, but rather to inability in securing a suitable hall in which to hold the games. With Simpson, former local star; Grant, the veteran high school guard; and Buckley, the Club has the nucleus around which a team might be built that would prove the strongest Industrial five in Southbridge and probably in Worcester County; and, although we regret the impossibility of placing a team on the floor this season, we hope for better things next year and are confident that the Hamilton organization will be heard from in a manner which will prove a credit and a source of satisfaction to all our royal supporters.

There seems little chance of organizing a representative team during the present season. It is possible that an inter-department series may be staged before the season is over, if sufficient interest is manifested in the various departments, as it is considered by those who are most deeply interested in shop basketball that the formation of such a league will stimulate the interest in the sport and bring out some good material that might otherwise be overlooked and pave the way for a winning team and a successful season next year.

All items sent to "The Hamiltonian" for publication must bear the signature of the writer as an evidence of good faith. These names will not be published. The editors will follow the universal custom of not taking notice of unsigned articles.





Hamiltonians that wear a smile

One of the late additions to the Hamilton family is John O. Martin, to whom we extend the "glad hand." "Jack," as he is familiarly known in "these here parts," was connected with the accounting department of the Railroad Administration, following which he served with the Naval Intelligence Board during the war. He is now in charge of our packing and invoicing, succeeding John T. Ryan, who resigned owing to poor health.

Some one has invented a new pastime for men. It is called rolling the auto wheel. Of course, this game can only be played by those fortunate enough to own a car. The wheel of an Oakland Six makes the best wheel with which to play this game, and a certain owner of such a wheel has taken this game up with much enthusiasm. He starts from his garage at the corner of School and High Streets and rolls his wheel over School Street, up Winter Street, down South Street, and back High Street to the garage. He will be ready to meet all comers at this game at the next Hamilton Field Day.

Perkins, the star bowler of the painters, and David Simpson, the star bowler of carpenters, are talking seriously of rolling a ten-string match for a box of cigars. Great rivalry exists between these star bowlers as each has won a match, so now for the rubber.

Irving L. Sheldon, Jr., who has been acting as an assistant in the Dyeing department, has left the employ of the Company to accept a position in the laboratory of a dye and chemical factory at Flint, Mich. He assumed his new duties after the New Year's holidays.

Mr. Sheldon came here in March, 1916, from the dyeing department of a hat factory in Utica, N. Y.

He served twenty-two months in the navy during the late war, being assigned most of the time to the radio station at Newport, R. I. He entered the service a few days after the declaration of hostilities against Germany. He had been in the Naval Reserves for a number of years, joining in his home city, Fall River.

Mr. Sheldon took an active interest in athletics, confining himself to bowling, basketball, and soccer, in each of which he exhibited more than mediocre ability.

His fellow workers wish him success in his new undertaking.

## Poultry Notes

Nelson Marchessault has what he considers the best flock of Rhode Island Red pullets around here. The flock consists of fourteen April pullets, and they have been laying on an average of ten eggs a day since December 20.

If any one can beat this, please advise Nelson.

Eileen Cuddihy informs us that she has a friend who intends challenging Dion, the champion heel and toe walker of Worcester. He has started on road work, walking four nights a week from Canada Hill to the schoolhouse in Sandersdale. We wonder why?

Peter Leduc, star shortstop of the baseball team, went fishing through the ice recently, and came home with twenty-one nice, fat pickerel and three big perch.

Miss May Cuddihy is requested to call at the office of department 20 to reclaim a parcel there awaiting her. Ask May, she knows.

Joe Martell hurt his finger. He went to the dispensary four times. Miss Anger said: "Do not come any more. Your finger is all right now." Exit Joe. Deep thought on his part. Next day Joe goes back with another injured finger. You can't beat him.

Mr. A. Lavallee has a friend whom he has never met, with whom he corresponds regularly. We did that once. When we finally arranged a meeting, her husband happened to pass by. Better luck to Billy.

Miss Ann Ryan complains of a stiff neck. This leap-year stuff is going strong. Whom is Ann looking after?

A new club has been formed, "The Hamilton Pals," which is comprised of fifteen of the young girls throughout the plant. The officers are: President, Miss Laura Albee; vice-president, Miss Josephine Dumas; secretary, Miss Evelyn Proulx; treasurer, Miss Irene Salva.

Plans are already under way for a leap-year party and dance to be held in the Recreation Room on the night of January 20. The committee in charge is: Misses Evelyn Proulx, Nellie Brennan, Elsie Leno, and Alma Gagnon.

Have you received your invitation yet, boys?

An interesting bowling match between the ladies' team of department 9, captained by Miss J. L. Dumas, and a men's team from department 8, led by Paul Schaarschmidt, was rolled recently on the Pastime alleys. The men bowlers won by a very close score. The individual losers on both sides treated their opponents. Cigars went to the men who trimmed their opponents, and a box of chocolates to the ladies that bested their men.

The feature of the match was the rooting and cheering of "Cheer Leader Dumas," who through her antics caused Joe Laughnane and Tom Jowett to miss several spares.

The score:

Walsh,	229	*Miss Proulx,	227
*Jowett,	179	Miss Cuddihy,	211
Sheldon,	246	*Miss Hogan,	202
Schaarschmidt,	247	*Miss Dumas,	218
*Laughnane,	229	Miss Brennan,	231
	1,130		1,089

\*Elected.

The weave shop bowling team has shown marked improvement of late. Its defeat of the top-mill and yard teams shows that they are going to be a hard combination to beat. The good work of C. Pleau, the crack weave shop bowler, has helped considerably to keep his team a four-pointer getter. The good work of A. McDonald, which has improved considerably since last year, is noticeable; also Teye, Thibeault, Leduc, and T. McDonald, who got away to poor starts, are now hitting the pins on the nose for good totals. Although G. Patineau has only a 75 average, he has helped the team wonderfully by his cheering and scoring.

# BOWLING

## Bowling Notice

Captains must see that cards are turned in to Bowling Committee, if they wish a correct standing of teams and men; also, where there are two people of the same name, have initials of whole name show on cards; otherwise, committee will not be responsible for errors in standings, etc.

The above has caused quite a little trouble and delay in getting out standings, and the Bowling Committee desires the co-operation of all captains in this matter, to insure correct scores.

Owing to the above situation, the committee was unable to print standings in this issue, but they will be complete in next issue.

Department 3-14-20, department 4, and department 16 bowling teams have withdrawn from league, and all scores made by or against these teams will be cancelled. All teams scheduled to play these teams take notice.

The new schedule will consist of twelve men's teams, the girls' teams remaining the same. Department 19 will withdraw at end of first schedule, owing to the fact that men are working under conditions which make it impossible for them to get a team together.

Let's all get together on the second schedule and make a showing equal to "Hamilton Club Standards."

Try to bowl off games per schedule, and avoid postponements. Let's show the real "Hamilton Pep." We will be in line to roll a match with American Optical and hope to walk away with honors, as we did last season.

Per Bowling Committee,

W. E. ARNOLD,  
F. H. DARLING,  
JOHN WALSH,  
JOSEPH BROWN,  
MISS LOFGREN,  
MISS GAREAU.

## HAMILTON BOWLING LEAGUE SCHEDULE

January 19 to February 16, 1920

		MEN		Alleys	
Jan. 19	Dept.	1	vs. Dept.	1-A	1-2
	"	2	"	5	3-4
	"	6	"	8	5-6
Jan. 21	"	9	"	10	1-2
	"	11	"	12	3-4
	"	15	"	18	5-6
Jan. 26	"	1	"	2	3-4
	"	1-A	"	5	5-6
	"	6	"	9	1-2
Jan. 28	"	8	"	10	3-4
	"	11	"	18	1-2
	"	15	"	12	5-6
Feb. 2	"	1	"	5	5-6
	"	1-A	"	2	3-4
	"	6	"	10	1-2
Feb. 4	"	8	"	18	1-2
	"	9	"	12	5-6
	"	15	"	11	3-4
Feb. 9	"	5	"	18	5-6
	"	9	"	15	1-2
	"	10	"	12	3-4
Feb. 11	"	1	"	6	1-2
	"	1-A	"	8	3-4
	"	2	"	11	5-6
Feb. 16	"	10	"	18	5-6
	"	11	"	9	1-2
	"	15	"	5	3-4

All games to begin at 7.30. Teams allowed 15 minutes' grace.

Four teams have been dropped from the league, leaving twelve men's teams.

Schedule arranged by F. H. Darling.



MISS NELLIE BRENNAN  
Champion lady bowler of the Hamilton  
and of the town

## Department 9 Girls' Team Takes a Fall Out of Electrical Department Men

The girls' bowling team of department 9 took revenge on electricians, Monday, December 29, 1919, at Pastime alleys, and trimmed them to the tune of 1,128 to 1,060, without the handicap offered by the "wire stretchers," which was to be 120 pins. The boys took their defeat like good sports and went home to dig up their books on "How to Bowl."

This is the second match between these teams, one being rolled last year in which the girls lost to the "wire stretchers" and furnished cigars—but no one saw the box of cigars. (Whisper.) It is said that "Bill" Dennison smoked one of the cigars at the last match. This year, the girls were treated to a one-pound box of candy each, which they had for dinner the following day. Ask the "wire stretchers" what is the cheapest one-pound box of candy on market, and if there is any reduction in buying in quantity lots. One of the boys said his wife gave him a call for buying candy for other women, and said she hadn't seen a box herself for years.

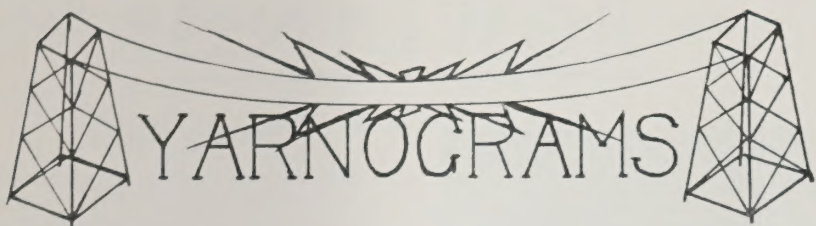
The score:

Department 9, 3—Miss Cuddihy 72, 63, 81, 216; Miss Proulx 67, 69, 69, 205; Miss Hogan 77, 77, 62, 216; Miss Dumas 84, 79, 82, 245; Miss Brennan 80, 85, 81, 246. Totals 380, 373, 375—1,128.

Department 18, 1—R. Arnold 63, 67, 63, 193; Dennison 61, 67, 74, 203; Armstrong 80, 84, 67, 251; White 64, 92, 63, 219; Doucette 73, 75, 66, 214. Totals 341, 385, 334—1,060.

Who sprinkled the water on the floor the night department 18 rolled the office team?





A. N. Badger of the receiving department has been ill with the grip the past few days.

A runway has been installed in the warehouse opposite the main office so that the loading of wagons from the second floor will be facilitated.

Raymond Favreau of the receiving department has resigned his position as reporter for the Worcester "Evening Post." Mr. William Delehanty of this town will succeed him.

We are getting material for our next year's soccer team direct from England now. Wilfred Yates, who has taken a position in the spinning department, arrived in Southbridge on Christmas day direct from England and has played the game before. He is a nephew of Richard Yates, overseer at the top mill.

Miss Catherine Phalen of the main office spent a few days at Christmas time with her father in Norwich, Conn.

Maybe some of you are wondering what caused the scar on the top of Ralph Arnold's head. It doesn't look like the impression of a rolling pin, and it isn't. It is where the axe fell when it caught in the clothes line while Mr. Arnold was chopping wood in the back yard. The cut was rather a severe one and sent Ralph to bed for a few hours.

Frank Duteau, one of our popular truck drivers, was fishing New Year's day at Wallace's. Frank reported great luck and says he prefers fishing to July Fourth clam-bakes. How about it, Frank?

J. H. Mitchell, our plant engineer, and C. F. Morse, overseer of department 12, were out hunting last Saturday afternoon; and in record time they had bagged a number of rabbits, after which they adjourned to Mr. Morse's bungalow, where an elaborate game dinner was served. It is reported Mr. Morse is some "chef."

Dancing during the noon hour at the Recreation Room has certainly become very popular, and judging by the large attendance during the lunch hour these cold days, all are enjoying the fun.

New faces are seen every day among the Hamilton employees. Mr. Herbert Butterworth and Alfred Potvin have entered the employ of the Company at department 11.

Mr. George J. Patenaude of department 6, who was married November 17, will reside on and after January 12 on Wall Street in one of Mr. Gaudette's new tenements.

Mr. Joseph McNally of the top mill has returned home from a very pleasant visit with his mother, who lives in Windsor Locks, Conn.

Messrs. Kershaw, Farrow, Hanson, Mason, and Beaumont went fishing at a nearby pond New Year's day. It was arranged that the man that did not get a bite had to sing. It is said that Mason, Hanson, and Beaumont have some wonderful voices. Mr. Farrow caught a bad cold, and one perch after it had nibbled 75 cents worth of his bait. Mr. Kershaw says he had a very good time; but, oh, you poor fishermen!

Clayton Perkins, our boss painter, brought home the record string of fish New Year's day. Forty-two fish, Clayt. says, but he doesn't say what kind, nor where he got them. Question? How much did the forty-two fish weigh? Don't embarrass Clayton by asking him that question.

Alfred Dumas of the carpenter shop challenges any and all comers to beat him at checkers. He will play either two out of three or three out of five games. Games to be played in the Waiting Room of the employment office during the noon hour.

## Fish, Water, Wit, and Wisdom



Holland Reservoir is a link in the chain of water-power supply, very valuable in the production of power and light required by the Company.

The duties of the supervisor of this department, however, often demand the exercise of nerve, wit, and judgment to make a successful round trip in record time. Holland is noted for successfully enforcing the speed limit laws as applicable to all traffic, and especially to automobiles.

Note the illustration, and if interested ask Mr. Herbert F. Ryan, worthy captain

Richard Charlton of department 8 was presented recently with a Jazz record for his new Victrola. It was made of a new composition—manila paper. He is anxious to give it a trial, but says he can't find a needle suitable to play it with.

William Condon and George Vinton, who for the past two months or so have been setting up machinery at the Riverside mill in Worcester, have returned to the Hamilton, having completed their job there.

Albert Cooper is now the pin setter for the drawing room.

Alphonsine Provost of spinning room 3 has changed her name to Angier, Mr. Napoleon Angier of Worcester being the lucky man.

Miss Bessie Mountain has taken a position in the office of the order department.

Elwyn H. Durgin had as a guest over the holidays his father, Mr. A. E. Durgin of Templeton, Mass. Mr. Durgin was for a number of years boss finisher in the old fancy cassimere finishing department of this mill.

Miss Emma Schlichting of Hartford, Conn., a former employee of the sewing room, department 7, spent the holidays here at the home of Miss Eileen Cuddihy of department 9. Miss Schlichting will be remembered by all who attended the Field Day last year, as the winner of the swimming race for ladies.

Mr. Arthur Dolton of the cost department spent Christmas with relatives in Fall River.

Mr. F. H. Darling of the cost department visited relatives in Boston on New Year's.

Nap. Capallette of department 15 has just returned from a trip to Canada, where he went with a number of his brothers to visit his aged father and mother whom he has not seen for over twenty years. Nap. reports a very pleasant trip.

Miss Olivine Paul of department A entertained her girl friends recently at her home, 1 Union Street. Refreshments were served, after which piano selections were rendered by the Misses Paul and Pelletier, vocal solos were sung by the Misses Petit, Pelletier, Lavallee, and Paul. Those present were the Misses O. Paul, E. Petit, I. Lavallee, E. Lavallee, E. Pelletier, and E. Poirier.

Joseph V. Laughane of the stores department, who was working for his Uncle Sammy a year ago in the aerial photography department at Rochester, N. Y., has not been forgotten by the fair ones of that city, as he is the recipient of several Christmas and New Year greetings; and one fair miss sent her photo on from Rochester. We now know the reason why Joe was such a booster for Rochester. Keep it up, Joe; we don't blame you, after seeing the picture.

A party from the plant, consisting of Mrs. Geo. S. Wood, Miss Clara A. White, Miss Ada E. White, Miss Esther Samuelson, and Miss Edna Small, attended the annual presentation of Handel's "Messiah" at Mechanics Hall, Worcester. They pronounced it a most enjoyable evening and fully appreciated the beautiful work.

Mr. Amasa Hall of South Woodstock, Conn., has accepted a position in the shear room of department 7.

Geo. S. Wood of department 7 has returned to duty after being under the doctor's care for a few days, and can tell a "dear" story for a fact, just now.

All know the paymaster at the Hamilton Woolen Company and that he is quite a worm for the dust and raises bumper crops of whatsoever he plants. He claims he raised a pumpkin which, when cut in half, made two cradles for children one year old. This is not disputed, for we know of "beets" in town so large that two policemen often sleep thereon.

Miss May Sheridan, from the office of department 7, and Miss Agatha Kelly of department 6, enjoyed a very pleasant trip to Worcester and attended the theatre December 27, 1919.

Miss Agnes Corcoran, department 7 mending room, returned recently from Providence, where she spent Christmas with friends.

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The surveying party at Holland report that, although they have been hard at work for the last two weeks putting in 1,000 holes or more, no fish has been caught as yet.

"Red" Lavallee has been welcomed up in the lone regions; likewise the news that "Fat" Paulhus cleaned up 26 cents playing the "National Game" last week.

With good live news like this, and plenty of creamed rabbit, the boys expect in another week to report a mighty good fishing record.

Ami Girouard of the weave shop spent a week-end with friends in Northbridge recently.

Arthur Gagon, a former employee of the weave shop, was in town recently, renewing acquaintances.

Wm. Toye, in charge of the perchers, moved his family to Southbridge last week and is now residing on Wall Street. He formerly lived in Boston.

Miss Valida Gaudette of department 6 has returned to work after an illness of three weeks.

of the Labor Bureau and Social Activities, not only as to the best way to avoid the annoying results of being held up in Holland; but we venture to assert he can show you how to get out, as long as the beef don't weaken, even if you have been fortunate enough to secure, by dint of hard and rapid work, a claim by possession of a good share of the coveted fish not already captured by the fish sharks elsewhere reported in glowing terms in this issue of "The Hamiltonian."

John Lynch figures that, since he has been running the elevator here, he has traveled almost as many miles up and down as you do in driving a Ford either up or down High Street.

Now that this is leap year, Edmund Guilbault has got to watch his step. The pursuit began about a week before Christmas.

We heard Mr. Martin's first New Year's party was certainly a howler. They still talk about it in hushed whispers. We understand that some came right from there to work. Who carried gasoline in a cup to fill an empty tank at 3.30 the next morning. It is rumored that one of the guests tasted all the face powder in less than an hour from his arrival. This shows the benefit of a planning department education. When is the next one, Jack?



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Last row, left to right: David Proulx, Chris McManus, M. Brouillet, David Slattery, "Happy" Jack Giroux, Thomas Keough, Richard Collins, Thomas Hogan, Arthur Castonguay, Romeo Phaneuf, Thomas Dwyer, Michael Kennedy, Martin Dodd, Frank Dominick, Patrick Keefe, John Morrissey, Michael Blute, John Hitchen, John Mallinson.  
Middle row: Joseph Forrest, John Gilmet, Fred LaPlante, John Pollard, Peter Rivers, Charles Hitchen, Peter May, Paul Le Moyné, Samuel Young, Frank Laranger, Robert Duvall, Martin Shields, Frank Gomo, Joseph Richards, Solomon St. Mary, John Curley, Charles Savage.  
Front row: Frank Glard, James Grant, James McCullen, Charles Walker, William Kennedy, Michael Grant, Wilson Sharp, Mark Sharp, Samuel Sharp, Patrick Prendergast, James Pollard, Michael Fitzpatrick, Arthur Young, Nicholas O'Holloran, Henry Spence, Joseph Roberts, John Bucken, Thomas Morin.  
Sitting: John Dwyer, James Ryan, Edward Grant, Herbert Mallinson, Michael Brogan, Corliss Jarvis, Charles Curboy, Patrick Morrissey, Ruben Baker, Daniel Hogan, Felix Morin, Thomas Labossee, Michael O'Brien.

## Hamilton Club Has Guest Night

### In Spite of Storm, Many Attend

The second annual Open Night of the Hamilton Club was held in the Town Hall the evening of February fifth. In spite of the storm that was raging, the worst for years, there was a good number of club members and guests present; and though the program was necessarily greatly curtailed by the absence of the entertainers who had been engaged, those who attended were unanimous in declaring that they had greatly enjoyed themselves.

The decorations of the hall were particularly effective, and the electric sign with the words "Hamilton Club" in red and white letters added greatly to the light and color of the occasion. The music was furnished by the Hamilton orchestra, under the direction of Mr. George Watson, and was pronounced by all those present to be of the highest character.

Owing to the upsetting of the original plans, the dance order as first decided on could not be used, and the dances were

given as could best be arranged on such short notice. The first feature dance was a leap-year one-step, and it was surprising to note the amount of maiden's reserve displayed by the girls present. The young ladies of the Hamilton Woolen Company either did not fully appreciate their privileges, or else the men present were not pleasing to them.

After several other pieces had been played, it was announced that there would be a prize dance, in which the lucky couple would be drawn by lot and would not be judged according to their ability. Numbered slips were given out, and duplicate slips were held by one of the committee. Then as their numbers were called from the duplicates, the couples retired until number forty-one, held by Dr. H. M. Delehanty and Miss Gertrude Giroux, was called. After an exhibition waltz by the couple they were presented by Mr. Armstrong with their prizes, consisting of a small vanity case for Miss Giroux and a package of a hundred cigarettes for Dr. Delehanty.

The next dance was a tag dance; but to all appearances the only tagging was done by Mr. Watson, who swooped down from the stage and took Miss Brennan away from Jack Walsh, whereupon Mr. Walsh, overcome by such a blow, retreated to the side lines with all the grace possible.

## Looking Back Twenty Years

### Twelve Still With Us

Among the faces shown in this picture are many that nearly every one in Globe Village will recognize. Some will recall to the older people among us the days when these men took a prominent part in the life and activities of the village and the Hamilton Woolen Co.

These men were all employees of the dyehouse at the time that Mark Sharp was the boss dyer. The picture was taken in October, 1900, a short time before Mr. Sharp's death.

Although some of these men have

moved away from town and death has taken several, there are still a good majority of these gentlemen who are now taking an active part in the life of our community. Twelve are employed at the Hamilton Woolen Co. in different departments at this time.

Corliss Jarvis, who is in this group, passed away just a few weeks ago, on January 23. He was 72 years old and had been employed in the dyehouse for the past 23 years. It is with great sorrow that his many friends learned of his death.

Announcement was made from the stage that, on account of the storm, dancing would be discontinued at twelve instead of one o'clock, as planned, and the gathering broke up shortly after midnight.

It is to be regretted that we could not have had fair weather for the occasion, but this is something for which the committee cannot be blamed. There had been considerable discussion during the

day as to the advisability of postponing the affair; but Mr. Watson decided that the best thing to do was to carry it through, as he thought the entertainers were on their way and would be here as expected. However, in spite of all the drawbacks, those who attended had a good time, and undoubtedly the next entertainment of the Club will have an even larger audience.



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### Safety Committee Is Making the Mill Safe

With the exception of officials and overseers, it is quite possible that very few employees of the Hamilton Woolen Co. know of the existence of a Safety Committee, which was organized in May 1919 and which has now become thoroughly systematized and has adopted a definite policy.

So far the committee has bent most of its energies toward placing guards on machinery and other places that presented the greatest dangers to those working around them, and much guarding work has been done at the Lower Mill, conditions at that point now being in a good, safe state. Both elevators, all stairways, dangerous openings, and most gears have been protected. At the Middle Mill, gears on the slashers have been guarded, and orders have been placed for loom guards. Going to the Upper Mill, it will be found that pipe railings have taken care of the belt drives in the dye-house and that the elevator in Building 26 has been equipped with electric brake and limit switches. At the present time, letters are out asking for quotations on guards for all spinning frames.

The nurse in charge of the Dispensary has been reporting all accidents to the committee, so that the scene of the accident could be visited at once and an investigation made as to the cause and possible prevention in the future.

STOP, LOOK, and LISTEN. Safety First warnings will be published regularly in "The Hamiltonian," and important notices will be posted on the bulletin boards from time to time. Examine and study these closely. The Safety Committee will do all in its power to prevent accidents, but it must have the co-operation of every employee in order to accomplish this.

Following the business meeting of the Hamilton Club January 13, an excellent entertainment was furnished, the committee in charge being J. W. Swift, chairman, Miss Anna Ryan, and Clayton Perkins. The program follows:

Hamilton Pals, songs; Herbert Frost, accordion solo; Rose Gendron, vocal solo; Adolph Flagg, monologues; Raymond Favreau, piano solo; Edna Small, reading; A. B. Cooke, sea ditties.

The Recreation Room is open to Hamiltonians until 9 o'clock every evening, except when used for special meetings of any nature. If you want to gladden the hearts of the Whist Committee, why not come in some evening for a game of whist?



### At Our Wireless Receiving Station

Correct Time Always to be Had  
at the Hamilton

No doubt many of our employees have noticed the masts on the big Mill Building 15, with four wires stretching across the roof, a 200-foot space nearly 90 feet above the ground, and wondered "Why?"

This is the antenna for our wireless receiving station. The wireless apparatus, which is of the sliding transformer type, using latest DeForest audion detector, is located in the office of the Electrical Department, in charge of W. E. Arnold.

To be on time is the policy of the Hamilton Woolen Co., and to insure that we have standard time for our clocks about the mill, etc., this station was installed previous to the World War by W. E. Arnold, for the purpose of checking our clocks daily from the standard time sent out through the coast radio station by connection with Western Union Telegraph lines from the United States Naval Observatory at Washington, D. C. (N. A. A.), on a wave length of 2,500 meters.

By the operation of proper relays in electrical circuits the beats of the seconds of a standard clock in the Observatory are sent out broadcast as a series of radio dots, commencing five minutes before the time of the final signal. The time is sent broadcast twice daily, at 11.55 A. M. and 9.55 P. M., from which we get our time.

Time comes in a dot for every second, omitting the twenty-ninth and starting on the thirtieth, then omitting the fifty-fifth to the sixtieth, and starting on the sixtieth, for four minutes. The last minute is the same, except that the dots are omitted from the fiftieth to sixtieth, and the sixtieth is marked by a longer dot, which gives the time of exact noon.

The time is received at the Electrical Department every day at 11.55 to 12, and all clocks are checked every day by the man in charge. The clock in our power plant is not allowed to get over five to eight seconds out of the way before it is set right, so our time is as near correct as possible; so don't be afraid to set your watches, clocks, etc., by our time. Don't depend on downtown clocks, as the writer has noticed them one or more minutes off. When the whistle on our power plant blows at 7 A. M., 12 M., 1 P. M., or 4.45 P. M., you can depend on its being standard time.

The station was dismantled, as were all others of similar nature, during the war, by order of the Naval Department, but was put in working order as soon as

the ban was lifted in April 1919, and from that time to the present our whistle has not reached a point of over ten seconds off standard time.

Although the receiving station was installed for obtaining standard time, messages have been received from many boats and coast stations, although we have never heard an S. O. S.

Our Mr. Knowles, of the Main Office, was an operator of telegraphy in England some thirty-eight years ago and shows his memory has not deserted him. The code used in telegraphy in England is the same as used in wireless communications. While the world series baseball games were being played last fall, Mr. Knowles happened into the Electrical Department on business; and immediately Mr. Arnold, anxious to have news in regard to the game, urged him to don the receivers, which he did; and here is where Mr. Knowles showed his ability, for with ease he copied the game inning for inning, just as it is given out on newspaper score boards, etc. He has been down to the station evenings with Mr. Arnold and copied various messages, weather reports, etc., which are sent broadcast after the time at 10 P. M., also press news from Station N. A. H., New York.

Miss Eileen Cuddihy, who was married Tuesday, February 3, to Walter Connors of Saundersdale, was surprised recently by the Hamilton Pals and friends at the Recreation Room.

After the presentation of a handsome chest of silver, a mock marriage was staged by the Club, the cast of characters being: the bride, Josephine Dumas; the groom, Nolia Proulx; bridesmaid, Evelyn Proulx; best man, Agnella Gareau; maids of honor, Marie Thibeault and Laura Albee; flower girl, Mae Cuddihy; minister, Viola Clark.

Following the marriage scene, solos were rendered by Miss Mae Cuddihy, Miss Laura Albee, and Miss Marie Thibeault, Miss Irene Salva accompanist; violin selections by Miss Sallie Justice; recitations by Cecilia Fallon. Refreshments were served, after which dancing was enjoyed, music being furnished by the Hamilton Pals orchestra.

An excellent director has been secured for the Minstrel Show, the date has been set for Tuesday, April 6; so now all that is necessary to make it a success is for every one who can sing or dance to come out and work hard.

### Days of Real Sport

(Before January 16)

It chanced not very long ago,  
Two friends went out to dine;  
And soon at the "Columbia"  
Were served a luncheon fine.

With many a merry jest and laugh  
They enlivened the repast;  
And, as they rose, they both remarked  
That time went all too fast.

And Sickman, smiling, bowed and said,  
"Now I will foot the bill."  
But Slifer, smiling in return,  
Said, "No, no, my friend, I will."

But Sickman with a gracious bow,  
Said, "My dear sir, I will pay."  
But Slifer bowed and smiling still,  
Said, "Sometime, but not to-day."

This "Alphonse and Dear Gaston" act  
They repeated o'er and o'er,  
While slowly but yet surely,  
They were moving toward the door.

The other diners watched to see  
How they were coming on,  
When lo, the door was opened,  
And behold, they both had gone!

The waitress held the unpaid check  
And thought "Instead of words so 'nifty,'  
'Twere better had they saved their words,  
And made it fifty-fifty."

But all is well that ends well,  
Their names from blame are clear,  
The check is paid, the waitress tipped,  
By their friend, the Engineer.

### Why Go To Palm Beach?



Just step a little to one side, where the sunshine of his smile won't dazzle you, and you'll see that it's George Watson. George says that to be healthy and happy you don't want to bundle all up like an Eskimo, but dress the same the year round. Hence the straw hat and the lightweight suit, with the background of drifted snow. Warm winter days or cold winter days, George always wears the same straw hat, with the "V" cut out.

At the time of writing, Mr. Watson is confined to his bed with a very heavy cold.



Hamilton Pals Entertain



The Leap Year dance held by the Hamilton Pals on the night of January 20 proved to be a great success, and the "Pals" are to be highly complimented on their ability as social managers.

Being a Leap Year dance, the young men were invited by the girls, and in some cases the young man was escorted home by his lady friend.

The decorations for the hall were in the club colors, blue and white, with the club's banner displayed prominently. Many novelties were introduced, and confetti was showered on the dancers during the moonlight waltzes. The Hamilton orchestra furnished music, and during the evening refreshments were served. There were about forty couples present.

**New Crabbing Room**

The old boiler house at the Upper Mill is being thoroughly remodeled preparatory to installing new crabbing and singeing machinery. The Turner mushroom system was adopted for the floors, in order that all beams might be eliminated, thereby facilitating the installation of ventilating ducts or any other overhead apparatus that might enter into this installation.

The crabbing machinery and steamers will be installed on the first floor; each crab will be an independent unit, motor driven through the medium of a silent chain. This will eliminate all overhead shafting and attendant belting.

The steamers (one for each crab) will be placed directly in front of the machines and will minimize the handling of cloth, as same can be rolled directly from the crab into the steamer.

The handling of the cloth will be by means of an automatic conveyor and overhead trolley system; the cloth, coming by way of the conveyor from the second floor, will be picked up by the overhead trolley and conveyed to the crabs; after it has passed through the crabbing machines into the steamers, it will be taken by the overhead trolley to the dyehouse. This will eliminate all trucking and will minimize the rehandling of the product as much as possible.

In order to make the working conditions as nearly ideal as possible, very careful attention has been given to the design of the heating and ventilating system; fresh air from the outside will be brought in by means of a fan, heated, and delivered into the room by means of ducts at the proper levels. In addition to this the air will be taken from the room by

four exhaust fans, placed near the ceiling.

A specially designed hood will entirely cover the cloth when it is placed in the steamer. This will prevent vapor from rising therefrom into the room; and in order that all moisture and vapor may be eliminated, a drain is placed under the heater, which leads to an exhaust fan, the purpose of which is to draw the vapor and moisture away from the steamer.

The singeing machine will be installed in a fireproof room on the second floor of this building. As in the crabbing room, the conditions have been carefully studied and all details worked out in order to make this room modern in every way. All singeings will be taken off by means of ducts and exhaust fans into the old stack. This will eliminate the very objectionable features that arise from the machine in its present location in Building 23.

When these installations have been completed, the crabbing and singeing rooms will be thoroughly modern in every particular, and will probably show some features that have never been attempted before.

Ladies Championship Bowling Match

Miss Nellie Brennan, star bowler of the Hamilton Woolen Co., rolled two five-string matches against Miss Annie Carey for the championship of Southbridge, total pinfall deciding the winner. Nellie lost the match by a small margin of 13 pins. The first half of the match was very close, Miss Brennan winning by a margin of only 8 pins. The second half was not as close, but a very interesting match. Miss Carey won by 21 pins. We all feel confident that Nellie can make a much better showing and look forward with much interest to another match between these two bowlers.

Miss Carey's grand total, 789; Miss Brennan's grand total, 776.

BOWLING

The Bowling Committee thanks the different captains for their co-operation in turning in their cards promptly with proper data—such as date, department numbers, and proper initials before bowlers of the same name.

A match game between the Office team of the Hamilton Woolen Co. and American Optical Co., winner decided by total pinfall. Two three-string matches are to be rolled. The first match was rolled on January 12, in which the Hamilton Woolen Co. lost by 169 pins. It is plain to be seen that most of our boys were rolling below their averages. The next match will prove to be a different story. It will be rolled as soon as Secretary White sets the date.

The Office team has challenged the dyehouse team to a three-string match to be rolled next week. Losers to take winners to the show.

Department 1 and Department 8 are having a lively race for first place in the league. The dyehouse boys are only four points behind, and the game between these two departments is sure going to be one full of pep.

The Office team succeeded in taking one point from Department 8 this week in a banner string for spares and strikes.

Two weeks on last half of the bowling schedule have passed, and there seems to be much more interest than in the first half.

Although losing three points to Department 8, Department 6 team cannot be considered out of the race for first honors yet. The team is fast regaining its stride and will make the first-place teams hustle. The total for three strings of 342, made by C. Pleau, is a league record for three strings this season and is going to be hard to beat.

Come on, you bowling fans of Department 6; root and keep your team winning.

Frank Greenwood of Department 16 will roll with Department 5 on the second schedule. Department 5 has a hard time getting a team together and, as Department 16 team has withdrawn from the league, the Bowling Committee has found a place for "Frank," who can hit the pins some, and want to see what kind of an average "Frank" will have at the finish.

The Electrical Department team shows signs of improvement—all going down to the alleys and rolling a few strings for practice, this is the first time they have thought it necessary to do so. However, they were holding down last place in the league.

Department 1, Department 6, and Department 8 are hot after first place, and it will be a close "rut." Department 6 was a little handicapped on the start, but is coming back strong.

Miss Anger—57, 104, 37; 104 is good, but why the 57 and 37?

William Dennison of Department 18 is still struggling to beat the average, with John Therrien a close second.

"Gene" Paul is bowling left-handed nowadays, as he is taking no chances with his whip, which promises to be in good shape this year.

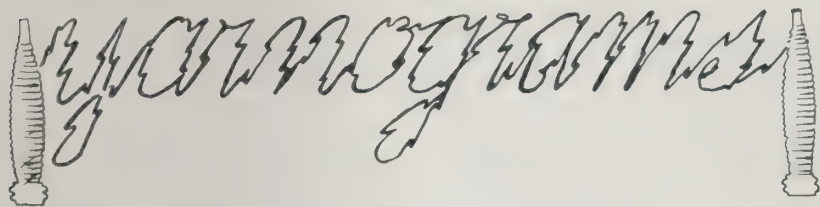
Bowling Schedule					
Department	Department	vs.	Alleys		
Feb. 16	10	vs.	18	5-6	
	11	"	9	1-2	
	15	"	5	3-4	
Feb. 18	1	"	8	5-6	
	1-A	"	6	3-4	
	2	"	12	1-2	
Feb. 23	1	"	9	3-4	
	1-A	"	11	5-6	
	2	"	10	1-2	
Feb. 25	12	"	5	5-6	
	15	"	8	1-2	
	18	"	6	3-4	
Mar. 1	1	"	11	1-2	
	1-A	"	18	5-6	
	2	"	9	3-4	
Mar. 3	8	"	5	3-4	
	12	"	6	1-2	
	15	"	10	5-6	
Mar. 8	9	"	8	1-2	
	11	"	5	5-6	
	15	"	6	3-4	
Mar. 10	1	"	10	3-4	
	1-A	"	12	5-6	
	2	"	18	1-2	

Individual Averages to January 28 inclusive			
TEN HIGHEST MEN	Dept.	Average	
P. Craite,	8	98.0	
A. Bachand,	12	94.1	
C. Pleau,	6	93.1	
Wright,	8	90.7	
Morrissey,	8	90.1	
J. Buckley,	15	90.1	
F. Greenwood,	5	89.5	
J. Splaine,	8	87.8	
Blute,	1	87.5	
L. Gagnon,	9	86.9	
TEN HIGHEST GIRLS	Dept.	Average	
N. Brennan,	9	78.6	
B. Hogan,	9	76.2	
N. Proulx,	9	75.0	
E. Mason,	20	73.4	
J. Dumas,	9	73.1	
J. Lofgren,	7	73.0	
N. Renfrew,	7	72.6	
L. Albee,	7	71.8	
G. Templeman,	5	70.7	
E. Cuddihy,	9	69.8	

Team Standing to January 28 inclusive			
MEN			
Dept.	Won	Lost	Pinfall
1	44	8	16,387
8	42	10	16,497
6	36	16	16,055
1-A	28	24	15,786
2	26	22	14,339
5	23	29	15,697
9	23	29	15,582
15	22	30	15,303
11	21	27	13,868
10	21	31	15,826
12	12	40	15,044
18	9	43	14,674
Records:			
Highest individual string, P. Craite, Department 8, 121.			
Highest individual three-string, C. Pleau, Department 6, 342.			
Highest team total, Department 8, 1,357.			
Highest team total, first 17 weeks, Department 8, 16,497.			
NOTE—Department 2 and Department 11 have a postponed game to roll, of November 24.			

GIRLS			
Dept.	Won	Lost	Pinfall
9	51	1	14,467
7	35	13	12,474
5	21	31	12,894
20	10	34	10,631
10	7	45	12,254
Records:			
Highest individual string, Miss Anger, Department 10, 104.			
Highest individual three-string, Miss Brennan, Department 9, 266.			
Highest team total, Department 9, 1,168.			
Highest team total, first 17 weeks, Department 9, 14,467.			
NOTE—Department 20 and Department 7 have a game to roll on first schedule.			





C. Pleau spent a week's vacation recently with friends in Hartford, Three Rivers, and Springfield.

Miss Eveline Dumas has severed her connection with this Company and was married to Louis Bousquet of West Warren, February 9.

Miss Lillian Johnson, formerly of Fabian, Conn., Mills, has a position as a drawer-in at Department 6.

Although Nelson Marchessault may have it on Department 6 for pullets, the Department 6 poultry fanciers have a little on Nelson for rooster for some of the fanciers are now raising (beagle hound) roosters. How's that, Nelson?

Edward Kaparosky of the drug room received a letter recently from his aged father in Chechanoff, Poland. He says the Reds are running wild over the country, and money and commodities are scarce. He asks that some old clothes be sent him, as he is unable to obtain any clothes in Poland for less than a fortune.

William McGrath is a newcomer in Department 8. He comes from Springfield and will be an addition to our baseball team, as he has played ball with the fast Hendee team of that city.

Mary Coughlin of the finishing room has been ill with a severe cold. Her mother was confined with a bad cold at the same time.

Department 20 has been hard hit by the recent epidemic of heavy colds. Miss Ryan, Miss Chamberlain, Mr. Martin, Mr. Dumas, and John Lynch all were laid up the same week. But thanks to the rest of the force, the work rolled out just the same.

Miss Mountain of Department 20 went to Worcester to the theater one night last week. On arriving at her stop in Southbridge, she stepped off the car, and sat down forcibly, and had to be assisted into the house. If it were not that we know her to be above such suspicion, and of course you can't get it now anyway,—Why will these towns leave ice on the street?

A bowling team from the Riverside branch in Worcester defeated the Department 2 team by 98 pins in a match recently on the Pastime alleys. The visitors were shown through our Spinning and Drawing Department before the match.

Mrs. Paul Cameron, who previous to November 3, 1919, was Miss Lillian Loranger, is now employed in Department 2.

Mary Foidlow was married to Walter Yoacs on Monday, February 2. Mr. Yoacs is employed in a Pleasant Street grocery store. Miss Toidlo was previously a spinner.

For the coming two or three weeks we (Department 2) are to be without Elzear Ravanelle, who has been admitted to St. Vincent Hospital in Worcester. We are eagerly waiting for his return and wish him a speedy recovery.

Joseph Leduc and Clara Leduc, late of the Optical forces, have joined the Hamiltonians in the past week.

The evening textile school is well represented from Department 2, fourteen being the total number of students from this department.

Henry Boucher spent Saturday in Boston. Henry left Southbridge with the avowed intention of not coming back till Monday, but somehow he drifted back home Saturday night. You must have spent all your money at once, Henry.

Ben Whitehead took second prize at a singing party last week. Second prize was a mince pie. He says he would have taken first, which was an angel cake, but they don't set angel cakes outdoors to cool.

Albert Hanson, who underwent an operation for appendicitis a short time ago, has recovered to the extent that he is employed with Wm. Bromley, the optician.

Alfred Emmett, who has a fine farm in Charlton, will in a short time have all kinds of fruit for sale from crab apples to watermelons, as he has sent for many thousand trees and grape vines to be delivered in the early spring. Watch him grow.



Stuart L. Widdowson, who is well known to most of us, writes from Camp Grant, Rockford, Ill., Battery E, 11th Field Artillery. He says that he is enjoying army life and would like to hear from some of his Hamilton friends. He enlisted in the Motor Transport Corps not long ago and has been hard at it ever since. He was formerly employed in Department 8.

Wm. Brennan, who eighteen years ago worked at wool sorting here, is once more back at his old job. He says he notices the number of changes that have taken place since he was here last. Mr. Brennan was in the World War and since his discharge has been in Chicago.

Jos. Como, of the garage, is reported to be seriously ill with the gripe.

Raoul Thibeault of Department 12, known to all the boys as "Jim," was a visitor in Worcester a few days ago. Jim reports a good time and says he found many good bargains.

Olin Jackson of the Engineering Department is receiving congratulations upon the arrival of a boy.

Alex. F. Simpson of Department 51 is receiving congratulations, a little girl. Everybody doing finely.

A cuff link was lost at the "Pals" Leap Year dance, which was valued highly for sentimental reasons. Luckily it was later found, and Raymond therefore feels better.

Robert Kershaw of the Top Mill was riding to Worcester one day on the electric and sort of dozed off. Seated immediately in front of him and talking animatedly were two kindergarten teachers; and just as Bob was waking up, one asked the other, "How many children have you?" To which the other replied, "Twenty-two." Leaning forward in his seat and without formality, Bob asked in a loud voice, "What part of England did you say you came from?"

As soon as a sufficient number have signified their desire to take dancing lessons by giving their names to Mr. Ryan in the Employment Office, a competent dancing instructor will be engaged by the Hamilton Club so that Club members may receive instruction in dancing without cost to themselves.

The Safety Committee will be glad to receive suggestions concerning any dangerous conditions. Speak to any member of the committee, who will be glad to talk with you: Mr. Alvin McLean, Machine Shop; Mr. Richard Yates, Lower Mill; Mr. Richard Dale, Engineering Department.

## Adventure

Not long ago, two little girls of the Planning Department set out to that great metropolis known as Boston. Early in the morning, while the celestial dome was even yet studded with twinkling stars, they arose and adorned themselves in their very finest festive attire. Accompanying them on their hazardous journey was the wife of the chief planner of the Planning Department.

They must have slept on the "Choo-choos," for a little after nine, they descended, bright-eyed and rosy, on the platform of the old South Station. The SMALLEST member of the party was seen to stagger under the weight of a very heavy bag, in which, we are told, she was trying to carry a little of her superfluous gold. The morning was spent in shopping, and the contents of the grip changed to the latest creations of Dame Fashion. Very exciting indeed were found the trips through the subway; and as for the elevated trains, Oh, my!! Our friends truly believed they had become aviatrixes.

In the afternoon came even greater thrills when they witnessed a romantic play from the best seats in "The Howard." You may believe they consumed a good share of Boston delicacies and left the city only in time to catch the latest possible train for Worcester. In Worcester a great fear overcame these timid girls, for the possibility of a night spent in a strange hotel loomed up before them. One of the girls PLANNED to register under an assumed name, lest any of her friends should learn of her terrible act.

Their apprehensions, however, were unfounded, and after walking a few blocks the good old Worcester Consolidated bore them safely home. They are now enjoying the calm, peaceable life in which all citizens of Southbridge repose.

Babe Ruth Hampson has decided to eliminate the one step from his bowling, as he finds it pretty hard to keep up an average of 90 on one foot.

Wilfred Pelletier, sub pitcher and utility outfielder, is back in the fold again. He is now working in Department 9.

Albert Tremblay, who formerly worked at the American Optical Co., is now in the finishing room, Department 9.

Mr. Elwyn H. Durgin bought the old waste house, near the shoddy mill, and will move it to his property on High Street and remodel it into an up-to-date garage.

The Misses Bessie Mountain and Josephine Dumas, with their friends Frank Kimball and George Butterworth, went to Webster one Sunday afternoon, making the journey in separate sleighs. The young ladies report a fine time and say that army overcoats are a blessing on a sleigh ride. Messrs. Kimball and Butterworth are both World War vets.

Have you heard the latest reports? We are to have a fife and drum corps if enough interest is shown. Watch for further announcements.

Twenty-two girls of Dept. 5 went on a sleigh ride to Webster one Saturday night and had supper; all had a good time.

We have noticed of late that, as soon as the whistle blows at 4.45 p. m., "Fat" Paulhus is seen "hot-footing" it toward the Middle Mill. It would almost seem that there was something of great importance on "Fat's" mind that would stir him up to such speed. Although the news states he is a lover of the "National Game," we suspect he loves other things as well. Who is she, Fat? Note: This is the first time "Fat" has ever been accused of hurrying, and we expect it will be the last.

Miss Eudoxie Proulx of Department 4 has left us to enter the Assumption Convent in Canada.

Miss Laura McDonald has been away visiting friends and relatives in Pittsfield.

Miss Josephine Feola was in Providence recently and was presented with a diamond ring, so wedding bells will soon be ringing.

Miss Julia Chmura of Department 4 was married at St. Hedwidge Church, February 8.

The girls of Department 4 are wondering why Armand Cournoyer of Department 5 comes down so often. We are sure it isn't always for yarn.

William Arnold of the Electrical Department has been the victim of a very bad cold.

Monroe Walters of the wool room, at the time "The Hamiltonian" went to press, was in a critical condition, suffering with pneumonia.

George Brown, floor man in the wool room, lost a horse recently, the horse falling in such a position that it had to be shot.

Few members of the Hamilton Club have exhibited a keener interest or a livelier enthusiasm for increasing the membership therein than Harry Widdowson of Department 8.

With characteristic zeal and persuasiveness, Harry started a little drive all his own lately and in a very short time added sixteen new members to the roll. The drive is still on, with a good many promising prospects in view.

A new 36-inch "Dicks" belt has recently been installed on the generator at the Middle Mill. The new belt is designed to deliver 350 H. P. and since its installation has given very satisfactory results.



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## Noontime Activities Hamiltonians Get Together

The noon hour at the Hamilton is not spent in any dull sort of way, but is to those who bring their lunch the most pleasant and interesting hour they spend during the day. Regular noon-hour enthusiasts claim that they go back to work in the afternoon feeling that they have had a holiday.

The pictures shown above give you a slight idea of what is going on at the

recreation rooms at noontime. If you are not in on it and have any occasion to bring your lunch, you should come around a few noons and see what you are missing.

The lunch room is in charge of Miss Mason, with Mrs. Gay and Mr. Wixted as rush-hour assistants who sell hot coffee, cocoa, tea, milk, pie, and cake at just what they cost and guarantee the best of service. The photograph above shows a corner of the room in which many take advantage of a comfortable place in which to eat.

The dance floor at noon hour is a place of great activity, and followers of this art are right there when the music starts. Usually there is some volunteer at the piano to furnish good music; but when one of our artists is not available, we have our always dependable friend the Victrola to fall back on.

The card sharks and checker experts have some great sessions; and, as you can see from the picture above, the boys all gather around to watch the game. The card games are interesting; but when Dumas can get anyone to play checkers—Oh, Boy!

There is always plenty of good reading material on the reading tables, and there is a quiet room into which those who wish to read or write may go. The latest magazines and periodicals are always on the tables, and textile and other instructive issues are to be had.

These modern recreation rooms which the management furnishes for the convenience and amusement of the employees are for everybody in the employ of the Hamilton Woolen Co., and all come in their working clothes at noontime just as they come from work, overalls and all.



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## Snow Flies

Last Saturday was the appointed day for the big drive to Sturbridge by the volunteer pick and shovel army of Southbridge public-spirited citizens. But the weather man took a hand in the matter and sent us as bad a blizzard Saturday as we have seen around here for many years. Nevertheless, Snow Marshal Morrissey of the Central Mills and his staff carried on with the result that hundreds of men and girls turned out on Sunday afternoon and set to work to dig out the trolley tracks from Globe Village to Sturbridge.

Enthusiasm ran high, and every man out bent his back with a will and made the snow and ice fly, while the girls rushed them coffee, sandwiches, and cigars. Ice a foot thick was encountered in a great many places, and the battle was a hard-fought one all the way, but was crowned with victory; for although the shovelers didn't get clear through to Sturbridge by nightfall, they advanced sufficiently for the trolley men to push through to the goal the next day, unaided.

The refreshments and cigars were furnished by popular subscription amongst the business men of Southbridge, who gave so generously as to more than supply the crowd. The shovels and picks were collected from all the firms in town who had such tools.

The spirit shown by the Hamiltonians and other people of the town who put in a good, hard afternoon's work to help the "other fellow" makes one feel the civic pride in one's town that comes only through good fellowship and co-operation.

At the last meeting February 10 the following officers were elected by the Hamilton Club for the ensuing year: President, J. Hanson Mitchell; vice-president, Joseph Brown; secretary, R. Esther Samuelson; treasurer, Herbert F. Ryan; Board of Directors—E. Benj. Armstrong, George Simpson, Nellie Brennan, J. Hanson Mitchell, Joseph Brown, R. Esther Samuelson, Herbert F. Ryan.

After the business meeting, an entertainment was given which consisted of vocal solos by Miss Natalie MacLean, Thomas Fallon, Raymond Goodell, David Patterson, and readings by Miss Sarah Justice.

Dancing was enjoyed after the entertainment.

## The Sturbridge Express



You remember, don't you, when we had so much snow that those who lived in Sturbridge had to come to work in one of the Company's sleighs? Well, it was about a week ago, and this picture shows the "Sturbridge express" about to set sail. Our employment agent, Mr. Ryan, is acting as conductor on this trip and is just about to shout "All aboard." "Dooley," the driver, and the Company's "blacks" will make the trip in jig time and will have everybody home in time for supper.

## Riverside

The "flu" has been busy in this department. Mary Allax, Julia Wellington, Margaret Ayers, Anna Zuranski, Mary Barberich, Agnes Morrissey, and Blanche Koppa have all kept company with "him" for a short while.

Catherine Powers has returned to us after recovering from an accident.

Miss Delia Luby and Miss Mae Donahue were thinking of accepting positions in Providence, but when it came to going they both decided they liked Riverside too well to leave.

Leap Year only comes once every four years, girls. Miss Julia Allax took the first leap and has made Mr. Frank Lorusso happy. Miss Julia Wellington is about to take the next "leap." Keep on leaping, girls; it's a great life if you don't weaken.

Joe Gallant is seriously considering going into the coal business; and, in fact, he may be in the business, as he was seen hauling coal up Grafton Street. A little information, Joe, and we will gladly place our order in your hands.

We wonder why Mr. Nadeau visits Southbridge every week-end.

Our shipper, Mr. Patrick Nugent, now wears a perpetual smile owing to the fact that we have a new and commodious shipping room. We expect results from Pat.

Our bowling team is anxiously waiting the return game from Department 2 of the Hamilton Woolen Co. and expects to make two straight wins.

The effect of Arthur Dobson's persevering influence is far reaching. We know of one party that moved from Cambridge Street up to Southbridge Street, due to Arthur's winning ways.

## The Hamilton Club

Do you belong to the Hamilton Club? You say, "Well, I don't care for music or dancing, and I can't take part in any shows, and I'm bashful anyway." That's the wrong idea. Do you realize what supports the baseball team? It's the Club. Who backs up the soccer team? It's the Club. Do you play tennis? There's the Club again. Do you bowl? The Club comes up once more. Any kind of athletics that is carried on here is backed by the Hamilton Club. If you want to buy any athletic goods, the Club gets you a big discount.

In addition to all the above advantages, there's another big one. There are lots of people who work for the Company, whom you don't know; and you'd like them a heap, if you did know them. Well, they mostly belong to the Club, and that's where you can meet them and get acquainted. You'll be surprised to see how many people there are working here that you don't know, and to see how many of them will be glad to know you. This Club isn't for the office force alone, nor for the department heads—it's for every employee of the Hamilton Woolen

Its idea is not to keep a pile of money in the treasury, but to spend the money to entertain the members. Look at our Field Day, last year! Our Open Night this year was spoiled by the weather. Do we want another to take its place? Join the Club and say so. Come to the meetings and hear Robert Kershaw and Joe Brown and Ralph Arnold and Martin argue. Get up yourself and back them off the boards. Your ideas are as good or better than theirs, as you'll realize after you've heard them; but they've got nerve enough to talk about things, while you are bashful maybe.

It's the only known organization where suffrage is absolutely equal—a woman's vote counts just as much as a man's; and if she has any pep (and they all have), she can bring two or three men's votes trailing along with hers. Get the habit! Join the Hamilton Club! Join today!

## Minstrel Show Abandoned

It is with great regret that the committee organizing the minstrel show must announce the indefinite postponement of all activities along this line.

The elements and Dame Fortune, or rather her daughter, "Miss Fortune," seem to have had it in for us every time we got to the point where we were ready to do some real work and start rehearsals.

We regret that our director was ill at the time of writing, but trust that he will soon recover from the exposure that he was subjected to on his way from Southbridge to Boston.

It is deemed best not to attempt to put on our show until next fall, because two shows of a similar nature are booked for the first two weeks following Lent, after which the season would be too far advanced. (At least, we hope there will be signs of spring by that time.)

The committee wishes to thank all of those who gave their support and co-operation, and feels that the way is paved toward putting on a first-class entertainment next season.

## Hamilton Club's Dancing Class



A dancing class under the direction of Miss Elfrida Beck has been started at the mill, for members of the Hamilton Club, and meets from 6 to 7, Friday evenings. There are about thirty regularly entered attendants, but in some mysterious way there are between forty and fifty present at each class. The picture includes the following would-be devotees of Terpsichore: Mary Ryan and Joseph Martin; Miss Bennette and Henry Bou-

cher; D. J. West, whose background is provided by our own Miss Mason; Lena Bates and Percy Whiteoak; Beatrice Chamberlain and Wilfred Gagnon; Katherine Ryan and James Fallon; and last, but far from being least, are Anna Ryan and Charles Thibeault. When you see this small portion of the class, do you wonder that more and more are hastening to join?



Always Welcome



Some people are popular because of their jobs, and some people are popular in spite of their jobs. But when you find two men in the same concern who are

justly and deservedly popular on both accounts, you've located two pretty good people to know. Such are the two w. k. and j. c. young men who are pictured above. Bert Ryan has his hat off to show the wave in his hair, while Frank Randall keeps his on so that he won't show the lack of wave—ebb-tide, so to speak. You can see by their expressions that their greatest happiness lies in bringing joy to others. We'd all like to see them oftener, so that they might achieve still greater happiness.

Clever Cartoonist

We have with us a coming cartoonist. He is Arthur Bachand, who works in the drawing room of Department 2. The cartoon below is one which he spent a pleasant evening over. Arthur is a veteran of the war, having served with the Canadian army at the front.



— THOSE WERE THE DAYS —

BOWLING

Joseph Firth, the "champion goat getter" of the "Hamilton," is still seeking new worlds to conquer. On February 23 the Top Mill was bowling the Finishing Department and looked like a loser, until "Joe" arrived on the alleys to replace Blute in the third string. The complexion of the game changed at once, as it was only a few minutes when he had "Leduc and Latoy's Goats" tied up to the railing; and the Top Mill then went after the remaining two points, which they captured without much effort.

William Kermack of the Top Mill team must have been reading some of "Willie Keeler's Baseball Dope" on "Hitting them where they ain't," as his fondness for missing spares was noticeable in the match with the Finishing Department.

Harold Blute's habit of looking up in the "balcony" would be all right if his nerves could only stand it, but the result is usually a 75 string. Bring her downstairs, Harold, and get a 90 average.

Department 6 bowling team, captained by C. Pleau, has made rapid improvement in its last six games. It has lost only three points, and those were won by the Department 8 team. It has defeated Department 1 twice this season, each time taking four points, a feat that has not been accomplished by any other team in the league. It also holds most of the records, including high three-strings for individual (342), high team total (1,398), and also high single three-strings for five men (528).

There was some excitement at the Pastime alleys, Wednesday night, February 18. The leaders of the league, Department 8, were bowling the runners-up, Department 1. There was a large crowd in attendance. The dyehouse got a lead of 41 pins the first string and the second 20 pins; they lost the third string by 14 pins, three points going to the dyehouse.

The five highest average men are to arrange matches soon with out-of-town teams. Several Worcester concerns have teams who would like to roll us.

The office team with only three men took three points from Department 12, who had a full team. Some match. In the first string, the office rolled 413 to Department 12's 373. Captain Darling has challenged the Electrical Department to roll against a three-man office team, this match to be rolled before close of bowling season.

Peter Craite has made a new record, making 147, which is the highest single string of the season. Pretty good apples, Peter.

The Top Mill is now in third place. The weave room was the cause of its downfall, taking four points from it. Looks like a lively race for first place between the weave room and the dyehouse.

Team Standing to February 25 inclusive

MEN			
Dept.	Won	Lost	Pinfall
8	56	12	21,658
6	52	16	21,358
1	51	17	21,467
2	34	30	19,267
9	35	33	20,845
5	33	35	20,573
10	30	38	20,450
1-A	30	38	20,421
15	30	38	20,324
12	14	54	19,669
18	11	57	19,151

Highest individual string, Craite, Department 8, 147.

Highest individual three-string, Pleau, Department 6, 342.

GIRLS			
9	65	7	19,917
7	42	18	15,659
5	32	32	16,136
20	14	46	14,737
10	7	57	15,121

Highest individual string, A. Anger, Department 10, 104.

Highest individual three-string, N. Brennan, Department 9, 267.

NOTE—Department 2 and Department 11 have a postponed game to roll

Ten Highest Individual Averages

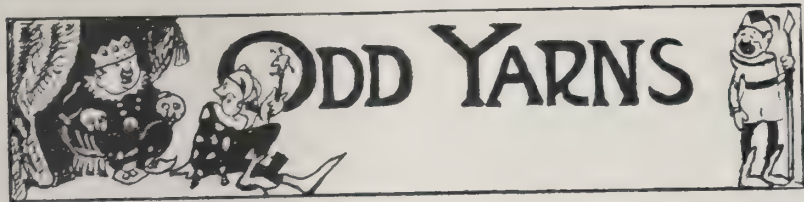
MEN		
	Dept.	Ave.
Latoy,	9	103.3
Craite,	8	97.5
Bachand,	12	94.8
Pleau,	6	93.1
Morrissey,	8	91.0
Buckley,	15	90.5
Ryan,	1	90.0
Greenwood,	5	89.1
J. Marchusseault,	9	88.3
J. Splaine,	8	87.5

GIRLS		
	Dept.	Ave.
N. Brennan,	9	80.0
B. Hogan,	9	75.5
N. Proulx,	9	74.4
J. Lofgren,	7	74.0
E. Mason,	20	73.8
J. Dumas,	9	73.7
N. Renfrew,	7	73.3
L. Albee,	7	72.0
G. Templeman,	5	70.8
E. Cuddihy,	9	69.8

Hamilton Bowling League Schedule

	Dept.		Dept.	Alleys
Mar. 15	10	vs.	5	1-2
	11	"	6	3-4
	18	"	9	5-6
Mar. 17	1	"	12	5-6
	1-A	"	15	1-2
	2	"	8	3-4
Mar. 22	1	"	18	1-2
	1-A	"	9	3-4
	2	"	15	5-6
Mar. 24	8	"	12	5-6
	10	"	11	3-4
	5	"	6	1-2
Mar. 29	9	"	5	5-6
	11	"	8	1-2
	18	"	12	3-4
Mar. 31	1	"	15	5-6
	1-A	"	10	3-4
	2	"	6	1-2





Jack Cooney has entered the employ of the Hamilton Woolen Co. as overseer of the Sewing Machine Department. Jack is the lad that can tell ye whaur tae catch a guid mess o' fish and a rabbit or two; eh, Jack?

Jimmy Fallon of the Cloth Weighing Department has gone into strict training for the Hamilton Woolen Co. Field Day. He can be seen practicing running up and down stairs every day. Jimmie means to put something over on some of the boys.

Charles Reilley of the Twisting Department is also another aspirant for Field Day honors. Charles now drinks six quarts of pasteurized milk every morning. This, Charles does to give him weight and strength, so that there will be no tug of war team ever pull him over the mark.

Jack Ryan and Herman Thibeault of the Auto Truck Department had such grand success with the turkeys they bought in Worcester that they have decided to begin raising thousands of young turkeys on their farm in Podunk, so that the good housewives of South-bridge will not have to worry about their Thanksgiving turks.

It has been reported that our friend "Dicky" of Department 19 is unable to fully express his personal opinion of the efficient and luxurious accommodations of the N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. to and from Boston, Mass.



We'll admit that this picture of "Jack" Brogan was taken some time ago, in fact, ten years ago, but we don't want you to lose sight of the fact that "Jack" was a handsome "Jack" once.

As a side line, "Jack" has gone

into the poultry business and formed a partnership with John Wilson of the Hamilton Woolen Co. police force.

Place your order for spring chickens and eggs now. Please order eggs by the bushel, and fowl by the hundredweight, as the company intend doing business on a large scale.

Camille Caron has resigned from the Hamilton Woolen Co. to accept a position in Sitka, Alaska.

C. Farrow and Robert Kershaw are taking the First Aid Course, and they claim they are getting quite proficient. All we hope is that we don't have the misfortune of getting hurt. "Nuf sed."

Miss Emelia McDonald of Department 4 has left us on account of sickness. We all wish her a prompt recovery.

Miss Elizabeth Fortucci is back again at work after a few weeks of illness.

Amedee Girard of the dyehouse stands out pre-eminently as the champion for securing new members for the Hamilton Club. To date he has forty to his credit. Keep up the good work, Amedee; you're small, but mighty.

Mr. Thomas Simpson has accepted a position as second hand in spinning room No. 1 to replace Henry Laponcee, who left us recently.

We are glad to see the head of the Electrical Department, Mr. William Arnold, back at his desk after his prolonged illness.

Mr. Charles Cornock, overseer of spinning and drawing, has recently recovered from a bad case of the flu which confined him to his bed for several weeks. Mr. Whiteoak, his assistant, was in charge during his absence.

One of the "Hamiltonian's" efficient "gum-shoes" reports that the electric lights in Olin's house are working overtime, since the new arrival. Also, a shadow is sometimes seen passing to and fro by the window till the early hours.

A hurried call was sent to Frank Harvey recently. When seen the following day he was all smiles. When interviewed as to the cause of the 'phone call and smiles, he promptly answered, saying: "Oh, boys! It's a baby girl, 8½ pounds! Both child and mother doing finely." Mr. and Mrs. Harvey are being congratulated by their many friends. The baby girl was named "Lorraine."

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Poirier was recently visited by the stork, and a bright baby girl of 6½ pounds was brought. Both mother and daughter are enjoying good health. Mr. Poirier is a loomfixer in Department 6.

Miss Arcelina Ravenelle, formerly employed as a smash-piecer in Department 6, has accepted a position as a clerk and bookkeeper in A. Laporte's grocery store.

Ernest McDonald, formerly employed in the spinning room, has accepted a position as harness mender and cleaner in Department 6.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Victor Valade of Department 6 are severely ill with pneumonia.

Mr. Thomas Morin has accepted a position as janitor in Department 6. He was formerly employed in Department 1-A.

John Walsh, foreman of the finishing room, Department 9B, has been out sick the past week, suffering with an abscess of the scalp. He underwent a successful operation last Thursday and is getting along nicely. He is anxious to get back to work, as he was always known as a hustler.

Mr. and Mrs. Aristed Martin of Department 6 recently entertained a number of friends at their home, 206 Main Street, with a whist party and musical entertainment as a feature. Pelletier's orchestra furnished the music, and piano solos were given by the Misses Bernadette St. Onge, and Rita Richard, and Mr. Edgar Proulx. The first prize for ladies was won by Mrs. Bonnette, and the first prize for men by Eugene Pelletier. The boobies were won by Miss Adrian St. Onge and Wilfred Pelletier respectively.

Those present were: Mrs. Robillard and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. William Farland, Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Carney, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Pelletier, Mrs. Wilfred Bonnette, Miss Mina Leblanc, Miss Rita Richard, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Pelletier, Miss Clarinda Pelletier, Mr. Wilfred Pelletier, Mr. Leonce Pelletier, Miss Bernadette St. Onge, Miss Grace St. Onge, Miss Adrian St. Onge, Mr. Edgar Proulx.

William Henderson, who is now residing at Hotel Newman, spent the weekend in Worcester recently.

Monroe Walters, who has been very sick with pneumonia, is able to sit up a little while each day.

What would Rip Van Winkle have said when he awoke from his long sleep to have seen Joe Brown learning the scissors dance? He no doubt would have smiled, as Joe is very graceful on the floor.

Alfred Emmott, the Charlton farmer, has a few very fine white Cheshire pigs for sale, six weeks old, a bargain for anyone wanting a porker.

Charles Timmer, High Street, received 489 eggs from 17 hens during the month of February. Can you beat it?



Our latest Rough Rider is Roy Reome, but Roy says no more horses for him. He prefers his old seat on the Ford truck. Roy had dreams when the spring came he would join one of the big shows doing stunts on horseback, so thought he would start in with a little practice during the noon hour. One practice was enough; and had it not been for the good old snowbank, there would have been one less chauffeur.

An employee of Department 7 is taking a course in first aid to "Beauty." You tell 'em, Kitty.

Miss Josephine Feola was married February 16 to Mr. Clere.

Did you attend the Sunday night conference of the Hamilton Woolen Co. on February 15 in the Webster station? The session was a long one, lasting from 9 P. M. to 2.45 A. M. on the sixteenth. The report of the meeting has not yet been submitted, but the little inklings which we have been able to gather have proven very interesting.

Miss May Cuddihy of the office force has returned to work after a short illness.

The Planning Department has been somewhat crippled of late, as two of its members, Miss Frances Smith and Miss Vera Morrin, are on the sick list.

It is rumored that Mr. Albert Plympton has bought a home in Globe Village.

Mr. Albert Plympton was thrown from an automobile on Main Street hill last week, barely escaping serious injuries. Fortunately, the greatest harm done was to his perfectly good new overcoat, for which Store G is expecting a large tailor bill in the near future.

Mr. Frank Chamberlain, one of our section hands in Department 4, was out sick with influenza. We are wondering if he caught cold washing the floors; if so, he shouldn't worry, for others will follow.

John F. Ryan has re-entered the employ of the Hamilton Woolen Co. in Department 1, after an absence of about a year. "Jack's" many friends at the "Hamilton" will be pleased to learn of his return to our fold, as he was one of our "Best Boosters" for sports and welfare work.

Arthur B. Cooke of the Top Mill had the misfortune of getting the index finger of his left hand caught in a gear, which necessitated the amputation of it at the first joint. Mr. Cooke has returned to his home in Waltham for two weeks to recuperate, and he writes that he is anxious to get back with us as soon as possible.

John Lapenta of the Top Mill had the same misfortune as Mr. Cooke, as he lost the end of the index finger on his right hand in the same manner.

Irene Proulx of the Top Mill has been confined to her home with a severe cold for the past week.

Napoleon Dufault of Department 3 enjoyed a trip to Buffalo and Niagara Falls recently as a prize in the Larkin contest for selling \$1,116 worth of products in two months. He also visited the Larkin factories.

Albert Cournoyer has resumed his duties in Department 5 after being out with an injured finger.

With Choc. Latoy and Jack Ryan added to our bowling league with averages of 90 and 103.3, we have fine men to represent Hamilton Woolen Co., who might win the championship of the town.



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## The Mill Fire Brigade

Turn Out for Spring Practice



The fire protection of the Hamilton Woolen Co. consists of the fire protection apparatus and the Fire Brigade. To see the fire apparatus all you have to do is to look

around the mill, and the Fire Brigade is shown in the photograph. You'll see them out practicing soon, for during the good weather at least one practice a month is held.

The apparatus consists of a sprinkler system in practically every building and room of the plant, which is a water-pipe system connected to the public water supply. The pressure on the system is about 85 pounds. On the pipes in the mill are sprinkler heads, made up with light solder which melts from the heat of a fire, allowing the water to be sprinkled over the area affected. Six fire pumps are also connected to this system, which would be started in case of fire to pump water from the river or canal.

Fire pails, filled with water or sand, are placed in the various rooms. At the hydrants in the yard is a supply of hose, nozzles, and equipment, and at present there are two hose carts with a supply of hose.

Copies of the revised fire alarms are posted around the mill. The alarms are repeated three times and will be blown on the mill whistle. The alarm for the Lower Mill is two short blasts; Middle Mill is three short blasts; Upper Mill, four short blasts; Cotton Mill, five short blasts. In addition, there is a private box on the public alarm at the gate of the Middle Mill, No. 61, and at the gate of the Lower Mill, No. 62.

It is necessary that someone be thoroughly familiar with this fire apparatus, its location, and how to use it, and that is the reason why the Fire Brigade is organized and drilled. The drills are conducted to practice the handling of hose; and once a year, during an insurance inspector's visit, water is turned on to the hose and the pumps started. It is no easy thing to hold a fire stream under 85 to 100 pounds pressure; and to direct the stream onto a desired spot requires skill, strength, and a rubber coat, if the wind is blowing.

During the cold weather the drills are held inside and consist of talks and discussions of the protection of the plant. On February 20 a meeting was held, and a general discussion of the fire protection apparatus took place. A map of the plant, 12 feet long, showing the location of all the apparatus, was used, and this



From left to right: R. Thibeault, assistant head hoseman; John Splaine, assistant power pump engineer; S. Knowles, hoseman; Alvin MacLean, chief engineer; C. L. Briggs, assistant head valve man; Nap. Reiche, hoseman; Frank Horr, head hoseman; Thomas H. Ryan,

power pump engineer; Wm. Dennison, electrician; A. W. Hanks, steam engineer; Dan. Allard, valve man; David Simpson, ladder man; J. Bonette, valve man; Alex. Simpson, ladder man; Jos. Buckley, ladder man; Alfred Gaumond, hoseman; O. Nystrom, as-

sistant steam engineer; Alfred Langevin, hoseman; George Simpson, first assistant engineer; H. J. Kane, inspector and head valve man; H. F. Ryan, second assistant engineer and clerk; and A. Flagg, valve man.

will be hung up in "Chief" MacLean's office; and anyone interested is invited to drop in and look it over.

The fire apparatus should be kept in first-class shape, and one member of the brigade, "Hughey" Kane, spends the biggest part of his time inspecting and repairing it. All of the valves are looked after once a day, to make sure that they are open. The fire pails must always be full, and never used for anything except fire. All the rooms must be clean and free from waste, with nothing inflammable against the steam pipes, or "Hughey" will let you know about it.

So far this Company has been very fortunate in not having had any serious fires; but a fire will sometimes start in the least expected place, when you least expect it, and then the safety of the plant depends on the condition of the apparatus and the efficiency of the Fire Brigade. But everyone can help by co-operating with the Fire Brigade in preventing fires, by reporting anything wrong in your own department. Why not adopt a slogan—"Help Prevent Fires"?

Those who attended our last monthly meeting of the Hamilton Club have expressed their enjoyment of the entertainment given. Selections were rendered by the Harmonic Quartet, solo by Edward Lemiere, dance specialties by Edward Duquette and Madeline Bird, and a piano solo by Marion Sibley.

## The Garden Season Opens Very Soon

The garden season for 1920 promises to be the best ever. During the year nineteen hundred and nineteen 308 garden lots were allotted to the employees in the various garden plots furnished by the Company.

The following is a list of garden plots and number of lots assigned in each plot:

Hamilton Street Plot,	16 lots
Oliver Street Plot,	16 lots
Sayles Street Plot,	43 lots
Triangle Lot, West and South Streets,	28 lots
Ten Acre Plot,	205 lots
Total,	308 lots

This means an approximate acreage of 16 acres.

As in the three years past, fertilizer will be furnished free to those holding lots in the above garden plots, and potatoes will be sold at cost. These commodities will probably be handled at the Company's barn on Mill Street, at a time to be announced later.

The lots will be manured, plowed, harrowed, and staked out just as soon as conditions warrant doing this.

Already cards have been issued to each one who held gardens last year, asking him to indicate whether he desires the same garden or not. This is very important;

for if cards are not returned promptly and properly made out, it will cause a mix-up when you go to plant.

Arrangements have been made with Mr. Leonard Midgley, of the Worcester County Farm Bureau, to come over, at a time to be announced later, and give us a short talk on the "Hardy Garden," which should prove interesting to anyone intending to have a garden.



The committee would appreciate it very much if each one holding a garden lot would keep a record of the amount of garden truck raised in each lot. This has proved very interesting in the past three years.

Any matters pertaining to the Hamiltonian gardens should be taken up with the Garden Committee.

Herbert F. Ryan, chairman, Department 10; Raoul Thibeault, Department 12; Raymond Goodell, Department 10; Adam Prantkielewicz, Department 8.



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Camelia Marjorias has been with this Company for the past twelve years, but it didn't take him twelve years to become the friend of everyone in the plant as he is today. This picture of "Guy" was taken when he was working in the drawing room, but he now is Fred Farrow's right-hand man in the Wool Scouring Department. Besides being a first-class wool scourer, Guy is "some" farmer.

## Read This One

Bert Ryan has a rooster that he raised from an egg and which is the pride of his heart. Mr. Rich is Bert's neighbor and for a long time had gazed longingly upon the majestic proportions which the bird had attained and wished in vain that his poultry might grow as large and lusty. One night recently, sounds of battle rose throughout the night from the roost where Mr. Rich's fowl repair to rest, and the aroused neighborhood was stirred to language. Toward morning the strife died down, and gradually the weary listeners sank again to slumber.

Later, when our purchasing agent was laboring at his desk, his wife called him to say there was a strange rooster dying in the coop and she wished he would come home and hasten its demise with an ax or other sharp metallic instrument, that it might be prepared for the table. He went up at once and looked the dying gladiator over with a cold, unfriendly eye. It was a wreck. During the watches of the night it had jostled with the Rich warriors; and though triumphant at first, finally numbers had told, and the proud

bird had been badly used. So badly, indeed, that Mr. Rich did not recognize it as the haughty monarch of the Ryan barnyard. So he steeled himself to the task and, picking up the defeated fighter, laid its head upon the block and lifted his gleaming blade in air. Just then Bert's voice called out, "Mr. Rich, have you seen my rooster around your yard?" and the scales dropped from his eyes. Laying down the axe, Mr. Rich hastened to the fence and returned the wanderer to its master. Bert hurriedly applied second, third, and fourth aid—first aid wasn't strong enough for the occasion—and in time the crisis was past and the rooster recovered. But he's not the bird he used to be—no more does he challenge the world to combat, and he keeps very much to his own yard.

We should all be thankful that the interruption occurred when it did, for wars have started and men have died over less than such a rooster; and we could ill afford to dispense with either of our friends.

## Girls Will Have New Rooming Place



The Company has recently purchased the Hotel Pleasant; and after it has been altered slightly to meet the needs of a first-class dormitory for young ladies, it will be opened up as such. It is the intention of the management to conduct it as a boarding house where young ladies in the employ of the Company may find room and board at a reasonable rate and at the same time under conditions of neatness and refinement which belong to a first-class hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. McNevin have been engaged to take charge, whose wide experience in this line will ensure competent management and supervision.

## Notice

The Company is gathering information relative to the earlier years of its existence, and when all possible has been collected it will be compared, arranged, and put into durable form.

"The Hamiltonian" asks those among its readers who may have any written record of events touching upon the affairs of the Company, such as are often found in old diaries, to send copies of the entries to the office. Better still, bring in the original diary, notebook, or paper.

Anything relating to the Company will be received with appreciation. An item that may seem of no importance to you may really be of great assistance to the work in hand.



## Keep Down the Accidents

Up to the present time, the energies of the Safety Committee have been bent toward guarding dangerous points to lessen the number of accidents, and now it is hoped that everyone will lend his hearty co-operation in the "Safety Campaign" which is about to be launched.

It is gratifying to know that there have been very few serious or disability cases, and the minor accidents have not been many in number; but, nevertheless, there is room for improvement. The apparently unimportant accidents, such as cutting a finger with a knife, should be guarded against, for they hurt our record as much as something more serious.

Below is a table showing the number of accidents by departments for the past two months. The fourth column shows the percentage for March, which has been figured according to the number of employees, allowance having been made for the risk in the different departments. It is hoped that everyone will endeavor to prevent accidents and thus put his department at the head of the list in the 100 percent perfect class.

Dept.	February	March	Percent
13	0	0	100.0
14	0	0	100.0
3	0	0	100.0
7	0	0	100.0
19	0	0	100.0
20	0	0	100.0
10	0	0	100.0
16	0	0	100.0
9	2	1	98.8
1	3 (2)	1 (1)	98.8
4	3	1	98.8
6	6	6 (4)	98.0
2	7 (1)	8	96.3
8	4	4	96.3
15	4	1	95.9
5	0	2	93.5
11	2	2	91.7
12	0	3	91.6
18	1	1	90.0

The figures in parentheses indicate what number of the accidents caused disability of ten days or over.

## Textile Evening School Closes

### Will Reopen Next Fall

The winter term of the evening textile school, which has been established here this year, has just recently closed, and part of the class which has just finished its final examination has posed here for "The Hamiltonian" camera man. The correct dope on this school is given by Mr. Guy E. Branch, the instructor, as follows:

Thursday, March 25, marked the ending of the class in worsted spinning, which has been in session since early in January.

The Worsted Spinning Course which is being offered by the Southbridge Vocational School covers a study of every process employed in the manufacture of a worsted yarn, starting with the greasy wool as it comes from the sheep and ending with the finished yarn ready to be woven into cloth. The course extends over a period of two years. Classes are held in the lunch room of the Hamilton Woolen Co. They meet two nights a week, starting about October 1 and continuing until about April 1 each year.

Due to the fact that the present class did not start until what would ordinarily be considered the middle of the school year, only a half year's work has been completed. Sessions will be resumed in the fall. Much interest has been shown by the men attending. Some interesting facts regarding the class follow:

Members at beginning of term,	40
Members at end of term,	25
Average attendance,	25
Average age of men attending,	29 years

It is probable that a new class will be started next year, and it is hoped that more of the younger men will avail themselves of the opportunity of extending their knowledge of the industry in which they are employed. The only requirements for entrance to classes are that those enrolling must be at least sixteen years of age and must be actively engaged in the industry.



## Engineering Department Chief Resigns



The many friends of our plant engineer, Mr. J. Hanson Mitchell, received a great surprise the first of the month; and it was with many regrets that they bade him good-bye and good luck, as he left to assume the duties of engineer for the Shuttleworth Brothers Company of Amsterdam, N. Y.

Mr. Mitchell has been with us for over two years and during that time has done a great deal to better conditions from all viewpoints. It would require more space than one entire issue of "The Hamiltonian" to relate all of the mechanical changes which have been made by Mr. Mitchell, so we will have to be content with saying that all of his methods and operations follow the latest and best engineering practices of today. If one will but look at his system of orders and recommendations, note the reduction of coal consumption, and observe the neat and sanitary conditions of all parts of the mill which come under his supervision, it will be unnecessary to say more concerning his ability as an engineer.

But in addition to doing all this work, Mr. Mitchell has been a great booster for athletics and those social gatherings which have created that feeling of good will and good fellowship now existing among all the employees. He founded the Hamilton Club and had just started on his second term as president of this organization. Mr. Mitchell's help in pushing matters of this nature was not passive, but he was always ready and willing to give all the material aid at his disposal, such as repairing the tennis courts and fixing up a baseball field. When that was not necessary, he gave his moral support, for a football or baseball game, a tennis tournament or bowling match was seldom played that he was not there to cheer and to enthruse.

Mr. Mitchell's winning smile and ready willingness to listen to the troubles of any who came to him endeared him to many, and they have hated to see him go; but he left with the very best wishes for good luck and happiness that could possibly be wished.

On Friday afternoon, April 2, Mr. Mitchell was requested to report to the recreation room, where he found a large number of employees of the Hamilton Woolen Co. who wanted to wish him success in his new position.

He was greatly surprised and pleased when Mr. Joseph Brown, vice-president of the Hamilton Club, presented him with a gold watch and chain as a token of the esteem in which he was held.

The day before this presentation, the overseers of the Maintenance Departments gave Mr. Mitchell a very nice traveling bag and expressed their appreciation of what he had done for them.

## Sir Walter Raleigh Today

The story of Queen Elizabeth and Sir Walter Raleigh is too well known to be repeated. It remained, however, for a young lady of Department 20 and her swain of Department 6 to bring the episode up to date. It was on a rainy evening when the snow and ice lay deep on the frozen earth, and streams of water were running merrily over all. They had safely climbed Main Street, as far as the Methodist Church, and decided to cross the street. There was a foot of water over the road, and rather than have the lady wet her dainty feet the brave youth picked her up in his arms and started boldly through the raging torrent. All went well till almost within reach of terra firma—otherwise known as the opposite sidewalk—when the knight's foot slipped on the treacherous ice underlying the lagoon. Before him was the ditch, eighteen inches deep in water the temperature of ice. If he fell, what an awful fate would be theirs! Already his feet were soaked, and the shivers ran up and down his spine as he imagined how it would feel to be completely immersed in the frigid waves. B-r-r-r! So he dropped the lady in the ditch and, stepping on her, reached his goal in safety.

It is the policy of "The Hamiltonian" not to print any articles which are sent in to it unsigned.

The Employment Department keeps on hand a list of people who are desirous of taking boarders and lodgers; also we are called upon very often to furnish good tenants for flats, cottages, double houses, etc. We are here to help you in this line. Yours for service.

## Can You Beat It?

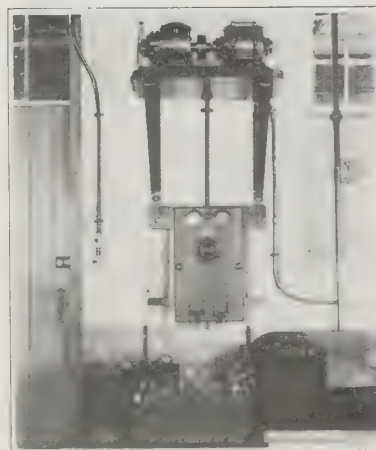
It has often been remarked that, in this world, nothing can be told by appearances, but the final proof of this adage was brought forcibly home to the Planning Department when the following verses were discovered in the "Gazette":

### A LEAP YEAR PROPOSAL

My dear and most respected sir:  
I send you this, your heart to stir.  
'Tis you I've chosen first of all.  
I've given you the foremost chance,  
A home for you I will enhance.  
Your heart I want; this is no jest,  
I hope you'll grant my fond request  
To send me back without delay  
Your answer, saying "yes" or "may."  
But if your hand does not incline  
In wedlock's bond to join with mine,  
Then you must Leap Year's law obey,  
And down to me five dollars pay;  
Besides, kind sir, a handsome dress;  
I ask no more and take no less.  
Now you may think this letter funny,  
But I must have the man or money.  
So now please send me your reply;  
I'll be your wife until I die.  
If you think that I'm a dandy,  
Please send me a box of candy.  
If the writer's name you guess,  
Send your name to her address.  
If for me there is no hope,  
Send to me six yards of rope.  
With all sorts of love and kisses  
From one who wants to be your missus.

Out of sympathy for the young lady's family, we refrain from printing the initials signed to the above, saying only that should some fortune hunter grasp the opportunity he would be well repaid, as the authoress is known to have preserved intact at least seven eighths of her salary for the last six years. This, in addition to her personal charm and her other financial ratings, would assure the fortunate one a happy and most prosperous future.

## Have Your Battery Charged Now



The Company has installed in generator room 8 a battery charging outfit, of the latest design, for the purpose of charging the batteries of their trucks and other automobiles. The use of this outfit is offered to every employee for the nominal fee of fifty cents per charge. This means charging only, and no repairs are included in this offer. If any repairs are necessary, the Electrical Department will notify the owner of the battery and rec-

ommend that it be sent to some service station making a specialty of this work.

This spring, when all cars are about to make their appearance on the road, all Hamilton car owners should have their batteries put in good trim for the start of the season. Bring your battery to generator room 8 in the "big mill" building, and the Electrical Department will put a kick in it for you. If your battery is in good mechanical condition, the Electrical Department will guarantee it to be full of "pep" when they finish with it. Under the above conditions no employee of the Company should have to get out and crank his car on a hot day, which we all agree takes the pleasure out of motoring.

## New Alleys



The building shown above is what will house eight new bowling alleys which are being installed by Peter Gaudette and which will be the first alleys in Globe Village. The building is 50 x 110 feet and in addition to the eight alleys will be equipped with pool and billiard tables. There will be a large gallery set just in back of the bowlers, and dressing rooms for both men and women are being built in addition to a large counter where refreshments and tobaccos will be on sale. When completed these alleys will be the most modern and best equipped in town and should be well patronized by Globe Village folks. It is probable that the league games of the Inter-Department League will be rolled on these alleys next winter. The building is just off Pleasant Street, where the Grand Trunk bridge abutments are.

## Sturbridge and Fiskdale Employees Show Their Appreciation

The following circular signed by nineteen employees living in Sturbridge and Fiskdale was recently received by Mr. Armstrong.

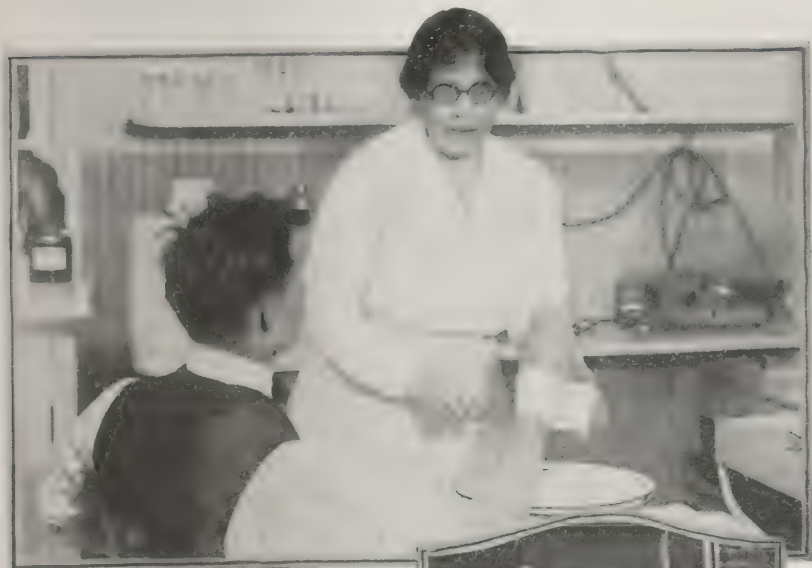
"To the Hamilton Woolen Company.

"Mr. Armstrong, Agent.

"We, the following employees of the Hamilton Woolen Company, wish to thank you for your kindness in furnishing us free transportation back and forth from Sturbridge and Fiskdale during the recent tie-up of the electric cars.

"Mrs. Rose Monteville, Mrs. Regina Poulin, Miss Lillian Collette, Miss Bertha Chouinard, Marseline Chouinard, Florence Chouinard, Valira Bonneau, Miss Ida Miner, Margaret Jones, Edna L. Russell, Peter Bonneau, Mr. Geo. Jones, James Simpson, F. N. Wilkins, Olaf Nystrom, Ralf Hussman, Geo. H. Vinton, Charles Vinton, Henry LeBoeuf."





Our dispensary is one of the most interesting and at the same time one of the least frequented departments of the mill. This article is not written with the idea of increasing accident or illness, but simply to acquaint the body of the employees more fully with the purpose and duties of this important adjunct of our work.

The resident personnel consists of Miss Etta Mason, a graduate of the Emerson Hospital, who has been with us over a year and is well known to and justly popular with almost all the workers. She is assisted by Miss Lillian Angier, who trained at the Backus Hospital in Norwich and is no less favorably known and equally much admired. Besides handling the slightly indisposed and rendering immediate first aid to the unfortunate victims of the few accidents that occur, they also attend to such employees as are confined to their home by illness. During the recent epidemic of influenza they visited over 100 cases and, from the expressions of gratitude evidenced by all their patients, are deserving of great credit. Dr. George Webster and Dr. Simpson are in attendance alternately during the week, to prescribe for such cases of illness as may come before them and to perform such minor operations as may be necessary. A broken leg or arm, a torn hand or crushed finger can be attended to here with neatness and despatch. The entire equipment is of the latest style. Anesthetizing and operating are done in the corner room, where the light is strongest; and the patient is then wheeled into the rear room, where there are three cots to hold the convalescents.

All treatment for injury or illness at the dispensary is without charge to the employees, and in case attention is needed at their home the service of the nurses is also given. When an injury is sustained in the plant, the doctor's attendance is also without cost, either at the dispensary or at home.

#### Send It In

If you have a bit of news,  
Send it in;  
Or a joke that will amuse,  
Send it in;  
A story that is true,  
An incident that is new,  
We want to hear from you,  
Send it in;  
Never mind about the style,  
If the news is worth the while  
It may help or cause a smile,  
Send it in!



Here is something important. On Sunday the eighteenth there will be a Community Sing in the Town Hall such as was held once before, not long ago, and which proved to be a great success. Mr. J. Edward Bouvier of Worcester will lead the singing, and there will be a few special numbers by local talent. It starts at 5 o'clock, and everyone is invited. It's free.



One of the biggest social events and one of the most successful which has taken place recently was the occasion at which a mock wedding was staged in honor of the marriage of Miss Emilda Desrosiers, who was married Easter Monday to Mr. Edgar Belanger of Worcester. Miss Desrosiers is one of the most popular girls in Department 4, and her many friends there resolved that she should not leave them without their showing

#### Riverside Department

The "flu" has raised havoc in this department. Both Mr. Shutts and Mrs. Leahy have the entire sympathy of Riverside in their recent bereavements.

The Adonises, Mr. Patrick Nugent and Mr. Miles Burbeck, are about to open a beauty parlor. For further particulars inquire of Mr. Nugent or Mr. Burbeck.

Says Rosario to Joe: "Let's go to the show?"

Says Joe: "Very well, it's a go."

Says Rosario to Joe: "Us for the front row."

Says Joe: "No, to the box seats we'll go."

But, alas! they were minus the dough!

The girls are still "Leaping" in this department. Miss Mildred Baker is now Mrs. Mildred Perry, and it is rumored Miss Blanche Vinck will be Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_ soon. Come on, Blanche, finish it for us.

To work and win,  
And push the thing,  
Is the motto of our men  
So let's try, boys,  
And push the pins,  
And beat those B. S. Roy's.

Miss Margaret Lynch is familiar with all birds in South Worcester, and they are not all sparrows.

The only time Mr. Metcalfe finds pleasure admiring the fashionable models in the store windows is at night, when the doors are locked. Ask Mrs. Metcalfe.

Mr. Branch (at textile night school): "What do they call first and second gill boxes in this mill?"

Student: "Just gill boxes when they are running good; otherwise, blankety, blank, blank machines."

Bluebirds and robins may be early harbingers of spring, but there are others. Jack Walsh of Department 9 was seen one noon hour some four weeks ago trudging along under the weight of heavy winter clothing, storm cap, and Arctics, with a tennis racquet swinging lightly in his hand. He couldn't have been on his way to the courts, for he couldn't have found them except with a snow shovel. What was the idea?

There was considerable apprehension of a possible flood this year because of the large quantity of ice on the pond and its unusual thickness. Every precaution was taken to avoid any loss in such an event. Dyestuffs in the drug room directly below the dam were removed to a place of safety. The danger evidently has passed now, the only damage done being a big gap in the flush boards, ripped open by ice and driftwood.

Mrs. Sugden Busfield of the card tables is recovering nicely from a hard siege of pneumonia.

Leo Gauthier of Department 8 is out with a challenge for a bowling match of ten strings. He is of the opinion that Claudio Pleau of Department 6 would be easy picking for him.

John Walsh of Department 9 has returned to work after an absence of three weeks, caused by an operation on his head for an abscess.

#### Notice to the Public

Commencing Wednesday, April 14, the destination in Worcester of all Southbridge cars will be at the New Park Hotel, Franklin Street.

Cars will run down Franklin Street and come out the same way.

Outbound passengers will not be allowed to board the cars until the arrival at the destination.

their good wishes for her future. Accordingly, about seventy-five girls met at the recreation rooms and after having read an address of appreciation presented Miss Desrosiers with a very handsome chest of silver ware. A mock wedding was then gone through with, Miss Rose Piche acting as bride and Miss Eva Piche as groom; the bridesmaid was Valida Dufault, and the best man was Miss Laura McDonald; the minister was Marie

Craite and the ring bearer Lillian Quette. The address was read by Miss Loda Fafard and was composed by Mrs. A. Collette. Refreshments were served, and during the evening "The Hamiltonian" camera man came in and took the picture shown above. The occasion was one Miss Desrosiers will long remember, as will her many friends who wish her the best of happiness.



Bowling Season Ends with a Bang



The 1919-1920 bowling season, which came to an end March 31, marks the end of the most important of the Hamilton Woolen winter social activities. Sport fans will now turn their attention to soccer football and spring practice for baseball, and it only remains to announce the winners of the bowling prizes, at the same time congratulating those who came on top and consoling those who are the losers. No doubt there will be a few matches rolled of some importance, as the closing of other factory leagues in town and the announcement of the averages printed here will probably call for a few challenges.

The dyehouse team take first place in the Men's League, the finishing room girls take first place in the Girls' League, and "The Hamiltonian" above prints the picture of the "best bowlers." The individual prize winners are as follows: Highest string (girls)—Miss Nellie Renfrew and Miss Lillian Angier are tied for this honor, each having rolled 104. The settlement of this tie will be decided on at the next meeting of the Bowling Committee.

Highest three strings (girls)—Miss Nellie Renfrew, 274.

Highest string (men)—Peter Craite, 147.

Highest three strings (men)—C. Pleau, 342.

Department 6 takes the highest team total prize with 1,400 for the Men's League, and Department 9 in the Girls' League with 1,168.

Silver cups are the prizes for the winning teams, and the individual prizes are pins for the girls and watch fobs for the men. Owing to the fact that the pins and fobs are being made especially for the occasion, the prizes will not be given out until the May meeting of the Hamilton Club, when all the winners are requested to be present.

Mr. F. Darling, secretary of the Bowling Committee, wishes to thank captains of all bowling teams for their co-operation during the bowling season, especially during the second half of the season. Cards have come in to him in good shape, which helped in figuring averages, etc., very much.

HAMILTON BOWLING LEAGUE—  
1919-1920

Team Standing, Season Ending March  
31, 1920

Dept.	Won	Lost	Pinfall
8	75	13	28,386
6	71	17	28,055
1	67	21	27,497
9	50	38	27,123
1-A	45	43	26,305
5	43	45	26,946
10	39	49	26,710
2	38	46	24,922
15	35	53	26,174
11	29	55	24,418
18	17	71	24,841
12	14	74	25,365

Highest individual string, P. Craite, Department 8, 147.

Highest individual three-string, C. Pleau, Department 6, 342.

Highest team total, Department 6, 1,400.

Highest team total for season, Department 8, 28,326.

GIRLS			
9	70	10	22,162
7	52	24	19,863
5	39	37	19,277
20	21	59	19,954
10	10	66	18,016

Highest individual string, Miss Angers, Department 10, 104.

Highest individual string, N. Renfrew, Department 7, 104.

Highest individual three-string, N. Renfrew, Department 7, 274.

Highest team total, Department 9, 1,168.

Highest team total for season, Department 9, 22,162.

Department 2 and Department 11 have a postponed game to roll.

Miss Angers and Miss Renfrew are tied for high single.

Individual Averages, Season Ending  
March 31, 1920

MEN			
First 31 Highest Averages			
Name	Dept.	Ave.	
P. Craite,	8	96.5	
C. Pleau,	6	93.6	

A. Bachand,	12	92.6
B. Morrissey,	8	91.3
Gauthier,	8	90.1
J. Buckley,	15	90.1
F. Greenwood,	5	89.4
J. Marcheseault,	9	88.6
J. Splaine,	8	88.0
H. Blute,	1	87.5
Varney,	8	87.5
A. MacDonald,	6	86.6
M. Vouge,	9	86.3
W. Bates,	8	85.9
Z. Lavallee,	6	85.8
Greenwood,	1	85.8
C. Thibeault,	6	85.2
J. Craite,	5	84.8
S. Laferier,	12	84.7
I. Leduc,	6	84.6
G. Watson,	10	84.6
G. Paul,	8	84.5
J. Brown,	1-A	84.5
Armand Cournoyer,	5	84.5
A. Sickman,	10	84.5
L. Gagnon,	9	84.4
A. Livernois,	5	84.2
F. Darling,	10	84.0
W. Armstrong,	18	84.0
E. Hampson,	1	83.9
Maynard,	5	83.6

GIRLS

Name	Dept.	Ave.
N. Brennan,	9	80.0
B. Hogan,	9	75.2
N. Proulx,	9	74.6
N. Renfrew,	7	74.5
E. Mason,	20	73.7
J. Lofgren,	7	73.7
J. Dumas,	9	73.6
L. Albee,	7	72.2
E. Connors,	7	71.1
G. Templeman,	5	70.7
Mrs. Dennison,	5	70.4
A. Gareau,	10	70.1
G. Ryan,	5	68.8
W. Smith,	10	67.8
A. Poulin,	20	67.4
G. Widdowson,	20	67.3
O. Page,	10	66.7
M. Whiteoak,	5	66.5
I. Salva,	20	65.6
J. Renfrew,	7	65.6
L. Angers,	10	63.0
E. Leno,	5	63.0
E. Proulx,	10	62.6
E. Samuelson,	10	61.7
M. Bean,	10	61.3
N. Thibeault,	20	60.7
A. Gagnon,	10	57.3
E. Vilandre,	7	55.4

A grand total of 1,400 was hung up by the Department 6 bowling team in their recent clash with Department 5. Although making a league record, the Department 6 team lost one point by the narrow margin of five pins. With the season over, the Department 6 team finished in second place four points behind the leaders. Although off to a bad start, the Department 6 team by a flash of speed copped second place, a few points over Department 1, their closest rivals.

Departments 18 and 12 were running close for last place in the league, and Department 12 won out by losing four points in the final match.

An interesting bowling match was rolled off recently on the Hippodrome alleys between a ladies' team led by Nolia Proulx of Department 9 and the men's team led by John Brennan of

Department 5. The ladies' team won very easily, defeating the men by 29 pins.

The score:

Miss N. Proulx,	80	81	80	241
Miss N. Brennan,	66	90	103	259
Miss A. Gareau,	66	87	72	225

Total, 725

J. Brennan, 75 82 87 244

H. Boucher, 71 73 66 210

D. Murphy, 69 83 90 242

Total, 696

The office team rolled the dyehouse team Friday, March 12, on the Y. M. C. A. alleys, losers to pay for the bowling.

The office won by 110 pins. The last string was the star string of the evening. Captain Darling made high string of the evening in this string, rolling 120; total of string, 460, office; 377, dyehouse.

Baseball

There has been so much spring in the air the past few days that the baseball enthusiasts have been holding planning bees and are talking over prospects for this season's Hamilton Woolen team.

The Baseball Committee held a meeting April 24, which Mr. Armstrong attended and assured those present of the co-operation of the management.

Four of the teams in the last year's Triangle League will form the nucleus of a new six-club league. Representatives of the A. O. Co., the Norton Co. of Worcester, the Slater and Sons Co. of Webster, and the Hamilton Woolen Co. have already met to talk over the plans for this season. At present the names of the other teams in the league have not been made public.

The Engineering Department assures us that lots of work will be done on the playing field to put it in the best possible condition for the opening of the season.

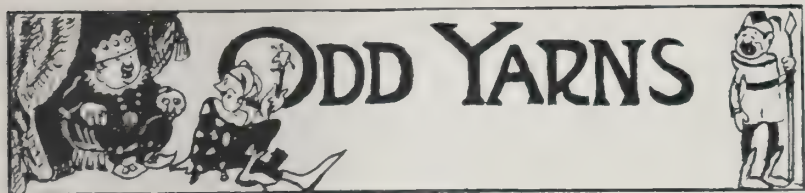
A call for candidates will be issued soon, and everyone in last year's squad as well as any one having any ability is requested to come out and try for the team.

Most of last year's veterans will be with us this spring, namely: Joe Brown, Jene Paul, John and Tom Brennan, Plouf, Pete Leduc, O. Martin, Alex Simpson, Claud Paul, and Alex Degrenier. It is rumored about the mill that some new players of more than ordinary ability have become members of the Hamilton forces.

The power house claims to have a star battery in Jenkins and Hasmer. Rumors of the ability of Gebson, Pelletier, Christianson, and McGrath have been heard, and Joe Laughane promises to divide his time between baseball and tennis this year. All indications point to a good team and a lively pennant race.

A large storage tank which has been idle in one of the Company's warehouses for some time was recently moved to the yard at the Top Mill, where it will be used as a storage tank for olive oil. The picture above shows the tank on its way and gives one an idea of the large quantity of pure olive oil which must be kept on hand for use in the manufacture of our goods.





On April 12 this year the Company declared its first special quarterly dividend. It was for three per cent.

Oclide Lavallee of Department 9, a veteran of the World War, has resigned his position. He thought he would be able to work; but the wounds in his leg caused by a hand grenade "Over there" are causing him some trouble, and he was advised by his physician to rest up a bit.

Michael Grant of Department 9 went to Middleboro, Mass., last week, to visit his daughter, Miss Elizabeth Grant of that town. Miss Grant formerly worked in the Finishing Department.

There are several very clever amateur actors among the employees of the Hamilton Co. The fact was not generally known until a few days ago, when St. Mary's C. T. A. staged a mock trial, and the leading parts were played very well by Miss Catherine Phalen of the office, Martin Dodd of Department 9, and Joseph V. Laughnane of the Stores Department.

Miss Bessie Hogan, Department 9, believes in cutting the H. C. L. She set out to buy her Easter bonnet. Her mind was set on a sailor hat. At one of the millinery stores she saw a sailor that took her fancy and asked the price; on being told \$10 she remarked, "Oh, the Dickens, I can buy a soldier for less than that."

Evelyn Proulx of Department 9 earned a few extra pennies recently as a living model at Goodwin Bros. store.

Nelson Marchesseault of Department 9 says that since the article in "The Hamiltonian" telling of his prize poultry he has had a number of people ask him to sell them a setting of the eggs from his stock. Nelson thinks that he would not have done so well if he had had an ad. in all the papers in Worcester County.

Walter Connors, formerly with the A. O. Co., is now working in the Finishing Department. Walter has quite a reputation as a cheer leader, and we all look forward to see him leading the rooters for this season's baseball team.

The latest—Jack Martin and Krimendahl have found a new use for candle stick knock-off motions. They were discovered not long ago bent over a gill box betting pennies on whether it would knock off on the odd or even turn of the candle stick. An innovation, we'll say.

Tom Brennan of the belt shop says that he is glad that the bowling season is over, as he can make a fresh start next year with a team that will be a winner.

Wm. Hefner attended the Boston Auto Show. He reported the show as one of the finest.

Joe Duprac is certainly having hard luck. For the greatest part of the winter he has been laid up with a broken collar bone caused from a fall. Now he is laid up again with an injury to the same arm.

Misael Bachand has been very sick for three weeks, with influenza. He is now back on the job and feeling fine.

Mr. Bly, the Department 6 horticulturist, was greatly surprised one Monday morning recently to notice that one of his pet flowers had grown a very beautiful rose over Sunday, but on closer examination he found that the rose was artificial and looked a great deal like those in Mrs. Smith's millinery store. Now, Frederick, it's up to you to find out who this guilty party is. Better luck next time your flowers bloom.

Eddie Irwin of Department 1-A has a very fine fox terrier that would make some of you dog fanciers fill with envy if you could see him. This dog will eat anything, very fond of children, and was brought up on liver; so look out for yours.

Has the wool sorter who lost his hat recently at one of the church suppers found it yet?

Miss Rose Piche, wishing to try on a wedding ring so as to see how it would look on her finger, was greatly surprised when she tried to take it off. She had to go to the blacksmith shop to have it cut off. So, Rose, next time, wait until the time comes so you won't have to have it cut if you can't take it off.

Miss Bella Trottier was married at the Notre Dame Church, April 5, to Mr. Roy Reome of Department 12.

Boost the soccer team all you can. Let us have year-round athletics at the Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Whiteoak were in New York for a week this month.

Mary Piekford had nothing on some of the would-be kids at the Hamilton Pals party, March 19.

Those who missed Mr. Frank Randall's smiling face last Thursday and Friday will be glad to learn that, although he has been suffering from a severe attack of the "flu," he is now making rapid recovery.

I wonder what's locked up in Mr. Kreimentdahl's bag? He might tell you, if you ask. One of the girls in the Planning Department is taking drastic steps to find out the same thing.



Mr. Timmer of the wool shop will have to speed up his chickens if he wishes to retain his laurels as champion of High Street. We have heard that Robert Kershaw and Fred Farrow intend to get some two-a-day chickens; and to make sure they do their duty, they are going to install electric lights in their henhouses so that the hens can do a little overtime.

Not to be outdone in the production of food for the people, J. F. McNally and William Kermack have decided to go into partnership in the breeding of rabbits. There will now be a good chance of meat taking a drop in price by next fall.

Joseph Quevillion has entered the employ of the Hamilton Woolen Co. in Department 1.

Paul Scharts Smith and Dick Morrissey have a bowling match to roll off yet. There seems to be some delay about rolling this off, and Dick wants to know if it is because Paul can't get up a team that is good enough to trim his crowd.

Garden time is fast drawing near; and by the way spring is breaking, it will not be long before we are planting. Bill Olney of Department 12, who claims the record for early peas, says he will beat his last year's record, when he had green peas from his garden June 26. By the way, Bill has lettuce and cabbage plants for sale.

Jim Simpson of Department 15 went to Worcester lately and came home with his new seven-passenger Nash. It is a beauty.

Mr. Sickman, although he has been away from us for some time, hasn't forgotten us, as several have received cards from him saying that he is feeling fine and will be back on deck before long.

Charles W. Bates has accepted a position in Department 2. He comes from Uxbridge, Mass.

We are pleased to report on the return of Mr. Elzeur Ravenelle, who has been sick for ten weeks.

Paul Grenier was able to resume work last Monday after a month's illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Valarde of Department 6 are fast recuperating from their recent attack of pneumonia.

A. McDonald had his right shoulder strained while lifting a warp recently. He has returned to his work after a week's absence.

Miss Lillian Johnson, employed as a drawer in hand in Department 6, has been taken to Memorial Hospital to have an operation performed. Miss Johnson has not been with us long, but she has made many friends by her friendly manner while here.

Everett Freeman went trout fishing recently. Ask him for the results.

Edward Kaprosky, for the past three years employed as clerk in the drug room, has left the employ of the Company to accept a position in the Ford factory at Detroit.

Paul Potvin has resumed his duties after being out a week with the grip.

At the present time the wool washers at the Lower Mill are being equipped with an individual motor drive. This will do away with all the mechanical water-wheel drives at that point and will be a great saving in power.

The Engineering Department is remodeling one of the dye kettles as an experiment, by which it is hoped to greatly reduce the steam consumption in the dye-house.



## DEFENDING THE GOAL

With the return of soccer this spring, "Fat" Paulhus got the fever, and this picture shows a scene from one of his dreams. "Fat" can tend goal when he isn't dreaming too.

Joe Brown has a "pony battery" under cover for this year's baseball team, "which will sure make the fans sit up and take notice," so he says. The pitcher of this battery has an underhand delivery which is even better than "Carl Mays" of the New York Yankees can show, "while the catcher," he says, "can burn them down to second with the best of the big leaguers." Joe also tells us that we all know them, as they happen to be bowlers. The only bowler we have observed with such a delivery is Ralph Hammond, who can burn them down the alleys! We'll say that, if Ralph can get the speed and breaks on a baseball that he does on a bowling ball, there will not be much hitting in the league this summer.

The only catcher who would be able to hold Ralph, that we know of around these parts, is "Freddy" Walters. Last year, "Freddy" did not catch (being a friend of Joe Brown's, he thought he would let Joe catch), but rather tried for an outfield position on the team. As an outfielder "Freddy" was going like a "house-a-fire" until one night, in practice, he had the misfortune to step into a hole, thereby hurting his ankle. This put him out of the game for the rest of the season.

The soccer football team started practicing Saturday, April 3, and a good outlook for a fast team is assured by the acquiring of the Yates brothers and Arthur Whiteoak in our lineup, who are experienced players, having played with strong teams in England last year. The Soccer Committee would like to see all the members of our Club out to try for the team, as the more players we have, the better team we can put on the field. With the Club's assistance, we can have a team that will be a credit to them and to the town.

The latest innovation in beauty culture is called "The Compressed Yeast Treatment," which consists of eating a yeast cake after each meal and is guaranteed to give either sex a "peach bloom" complexion in a very short time. As this treatment has been given a thorough trial by Mr. Cooke, we can vouch for the success of the results to be obtained in the use of them.

Richard Yates, who was confined to his home for a few days with a severe cold, has resumed his duties as overseer in Department 1.

John Lapenta has resumed his duties in Department 1, after an absence of six weeks.

Sure sign that spring is here, as Joseph Firth is looking over the farms again; and they say that sign never fails to bring good weather.



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## Outdoor Sports Are Welcomed Back

With the coming of spring and warm weather the Hamilton fans are losing no time in getting outdoors and playing the games which they like. Soccer, baseball, and tennis are all calling their devotees, and even the drum corps is out practicing almost every pleasant night.

Things have been pretty quiet around the mill this winter, and it seems good to everybody to get outside and stir things up. The baseball fans are hard at work; and lame arms are right in style, because any baseball player that don't make good this year is going to get in wrong with the fans, as we want to have a team that will be a credit to the new baseball field

the Company is building for us. Everybody is watching the progress that is being made by the big steam shovel on the new ball grounds; and when it is finished, the entire mill will be there to cheer the Hamilton team on to victory.

The soccer team is out practicing every week, but it has had no matches. Next fall, after the baseball season, it will have the use of the new ball park to play matches on; and from present indications it should easily become the champion of this section of the state. Following is the lineup as they are shown in the picture:

McNally, goal keeper; Latoy, right fullback; Brown, left fullback; Rowley, right halfback; Firth, center halfback; Robinson, left halfback; Wilfred Yates, right outside forward; A. Whiteoak, right inside forward; P. Whiteoak, center

forward; Raymond Yates, left inside forward; Joseph Buckley, left outside forward; Richard Yates, manager.

George Watson has been appointed chairman of the Tennis Committee for this year, with Miss Olga Page and Miss Grace Templeman making up the full committee. The courts are for the use of everybody that belongs to the Hamilton Club, to use whenever they please; and Mr. Watson urges everybody to get in a lot of practice early, so as to be in good form for the tournament which will be started later. He says the cup will be presented to the winner on time this year.

Up in the corner is a picture of a crowd of baseball fans, many of whom will be candidates for the baseball team. These men came out one noontime to pose for "The Hamiltonian" camera man, who

wanted to print a picture of some of the promising baseball material that we have here. Many of our ball players are not shown here, as they couldn't be on hand the noontime the picture was taken; but all will be on hand for practice Saturday afternoons, so by the time the new ball field is ready we will have two good teams to put on the field.

Joe Laughnane was elected president of the Hamilton Club at the last meeting, to succeed Mr. Mitchell; and "The Hamiltonian" prints his picture here, because we don't want you to forget that the Hamilton Club is at the head of all our athletics and other social activities, and everybody ought to be a member of the Club and attend the meetings. Support the Hamilton Club and be a member of the Hamilton family.



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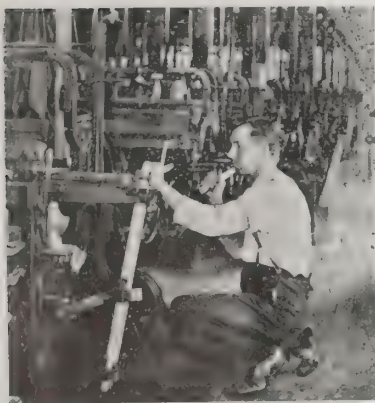
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### Introducing



Eugene Lusignan of the weave room, himself. "Jene" has been in the weave room for the past twenty years, for a good many years as a loom fixer and now as second hand. The picture was taken when he was a loom fixer some years ago; and although he hasn't fixed looms for some time, he still "knows looms."

"Jene's" smile and pleasant way have made him popular with everybody that knows him.

### Our New Leader

It has been said that anything pleasant bears repeating an infinite number of times. While we cannot claim that this article will bear any great amount of news to its readers, it certainly will stand reading for the reason given in the preceding sentence. It's about the new president of the Hamilton Club. We all know that Mr. Mitchell resigned as president when he left here, and also that the Club has chosen a successor who has always been one of the most popular employees of the Company and who has shown himself fully capable of carrying on the work begun by his predecessor.

All this talk is about Joe Laughnane. Nobody ever calls him Mr. Joseph V. Laughnane. It simply isn't done, you know. And if there is a better test of discovering how a man stands with his fellows than that, we don't know it. And as for being up and coming—if you heard the extemporaneous speech that Joe made at the meeting, thanking the Club members for the honor they had

### Riverside

"Safety first, and all the time," was the motto adopted at the last meeting of the Safety Organization, which was held April 2. The following officers were elected: Mr. J. N. Shutts, president; Mr. W. Metcalfe, vice-president; Mr. Nadeau, secretary; Mr. W. T. Beck, treasurer.

After the meeting, refreshments were served, and a general good time was enjoyed by all. There were a "buck and wing" dance by Rosario Nadeau, and vocal duets by Walter Metcalfe and William Beck.

Now that the bowling season is over, we presume that Department 2 of the Hamilton Woolen Co. has forgotten our return game. But we always knew that the team had grave fear of our team—so we will just say, "They forgot."

Something very serious is on Margaret Lynch's mind, for she refuses to speak—she says we will find out what is on her mind in June.

Statia Wronski and Rose Labuda have emerged from their hiding places; you'll see them any noontime walking up and down Southbridge Street.

The Riverside girls will be represented in the ball field this year. The girls from last year's team are Margaret McGarry, Katherine Leahy, Margaret Donahue, Anna King, and Caroline Beatrice. Other girls trying out for the team are Anna Suranski, Mary Beatrice, Statia Hleckowski, Elvera Marchise, Rose Angelo, Jennie Riska, Edith Turnquist, and Helen Mesaksik.

Mr. Thomas Mulcahy has recently entered our employ.

The Jolly Five have leased a cottage at Webster Lake for the summer season.

bestowed upon him, Well! Neither Daniel Webster who built Bunker Hill monument nor his brother Noah who wrote the dictionary has anything on Joe. But to settle down to hard facts, Joe is a good, clean, straightforward, hard-working chap, who will do all he can to continue the Club a success, and in the undertaking he has the heartiest support of every member from the oldest to the newest. And every member can rest assured that, in electing Joe to this office, he has picked a man upon whom he can depend to further the best interests of the Club and in whom he can safely have the utmost confidence.

Good luck, Joe; we're all with you.

### Notice

The Hamilton Red Cross Auxiliary is making plans to conduct a dance in the Company's recreation room Friday night, May 21, proceeds to go towards the support of the little French orphan that this Red Cross adopted during the war.

Dancing from eight until twelve. Music by the Hamilton orchestra.

Admission: Gentlemen, 50c; ladies, 35c. Tickets may be secured from the committee or at the door.

MRS. FRED HALL, MRS. HARRY WIDOWSON, MRS. JOHN WALSH, MRS. HOWARD BLACKBURN, MRS. DOUGLAS WEST.

### Birthday Party



Miss Lillian Angers, whom all of you know, Had her th (?) birthday a short time ago. Now I might say right here, she's 16, more or less.

Though just how much more I will leave you to guess.

So her Hamilton girl friends, some sixty-five strong.

With Miss Winnie Shimanski to help things along,

Decided to give her a birthday surprise. Though they planned it for weeks, she was never put wise.

Which leads me to think the old saying is a lie.

"Girls cannot keep a secret, though hard they may try."

On April the twentieth, the girls one and all,

Were gathered together in the Recreation Hall.

They were dressed up in costumes of various sorts.

Which added a lot to the frolic and sports. There were plenty of men, some quite short, some quite tall,

Some with tapering waists, some with feet strangely small.

There were farmers and darkies, fair ladies and clowns;

Some wore blue overalls, others loose flowing gowns.

But all were determined to stick to the end And give a good time to their comrade and friend.

So they brought to the hall lots of good things to eat.

Some were soft, others hard, some were sour, others sweet.

And, when the time came to commence the night's fun,

Miss Angers was told to come down on the run.

From the very first moment she entered the place, There was sure something doing; 'twas a terrific pace.

They danced and they sang and they raised up old Ned.

They spun Lillian round till she stood on her head.

They ate and they drank, then they danced and they sang,

While with echoes of laughter the old building rang.

But at last, all was quiet as on Christmas Eve.

For the girls had another surprise up their sleeve;

So, when Angelina Collette, dressed up like a coon

Slipped out to the front, silence fell on the room.

While, with just a few words in behalf of the girls,

She presented Miss Angers a necklace of pearls,

Which little proceeding proved such a surprise,

Some say that the tears rolled right out of her eyes.

Be that false or the truth, I cannot really swear;

But she got the pearls and that's all we care.

And, when this was over, they started again,

To prove they were able each one to raise Cain.

'Twas a right jolly time and I think you'll agree;

They do things up right at the H. W. C.

For there's lots of good feeling and plenty of fun;

'Tis a good place to work, after all's said and done.

### Have You Noticed Them?

They are hard to see just now, but a few warm days will do the trick. Jack Martin decided he would raise a moustache, and that started it all. Jack got his idea at the movies; and when Mr. Sickman came to town for a short visit, the proud possessor of a flowing, curling moustache,

it was too much for George Watson. Then Kreimendahl, Darling, and Dolton fell in line. From these pioneers, a club was formed, and a drive for recruits is on. Jack Brogan wanted to join, but he started something that he couldn't finish and decided that raising chickens was about his limit.



## Best Title Contest



For the best title for the above picture "The Hamiltonian" offers three pictures of the winner taken anyway or anywhere he or she wants them. The picture will be taken with the camera that took this picture.

This picture is of the Company's dam, taken this spring when the water was high, after the spring rains.

There are no conditions; just submit your title to your departmental reporter, in a sealed envelope.

The contest closes next Saturday, May 22, and the judges will be Miss Mary Casey, Miss Laura Albee, Richard Yates, and Wm. E. Arnold. Address inquiries to Miss Casey.

Judging from the appearances, Nellie thinks that Joe ought to take a day off to break in her new "Shimmy Pumps."

## Hamiltonian Directory

"The Hamiltonian" prints the following directory with the advice that everyone cut it out and keep it for reference. The reporter in your department is there to see that your department is represented every month in "The Hamiltonian," and it is up to you to help him or her by giving them all the news you can. We are glad to get suggestions and contributions from anyone.

Dept. No.		Overseer	"Hamiltonian" Reporter
1-A	Wool Sorting	Fred W. Rowley	Harry E. Mason
1	Scouring		
	Carding	Richard Yates	John F. McNally
	Combing		
2	Drawing	C. W. Cornock	Percy Whiteoak
	Spinning		
2-R	Worcester	J. N. Shutts	Mary Sullivan
3	Cotton Balling	J. W. Maclean	Grace Templeman
	and Beaming		
4	Twisting	J. Hillam	Flore Lepain
5	Warping and	J. W. Maclean	Grace Templeman
	Slashing		
6	Weaving	H. J. Roan	Geo. Laplante
7	Burling	Geo. Paine	Clara White
8	Dyeing	Karl Hager	Joe Laughnane
9	Finishing	Karl Hager	John Walsh
10	Main Office	Geo. S. Rich	Marjorie Bean
11	Power House	A. Hanks	Wm. Onley
12	Yard	Clarence Morse	Wm. Onley
13	Blacksmith Shop	Basil Proulx	Joseph Proulx
14	Belt Shop	Richard Morrissey	Richard Morrissey
15	Carpenter Shop	Geo. Simpson	Alex. Simpson
16	Machine Shop	Alvin McLean	Alvin McLean
17	Pipe Shop	F. Horr	Wm. Onley
18	Electrical	Wm. E. Arnold	Wm. E. Arnold
19	Engineering	Olin Jackson	James Christenson
20	Stores, Orders, Shipping, Printing	J. O. Martin	J. O. Martin
10-A	Dispensary		
10-B	Lunch Room		
	Employment Bureau		

## Rifle Club Proposed

A move has been started by members of the Hamilton Club, Wellsworth A. A., Southbridge A. L., and Sturbridge A. L. to form an association combining rifle range and trap shooting. It has been planned to use the range formerly occupied by the State Guards on Pleasant Street, as these grounds have been approved and accepted by the National Rifle Association and the Ordnance Department. The 200-yard range is complete, except for necessary repairs of the damage caused by weather and small boys, and a 50-yard range and a 100-yard range are to be installed. Trap shooting is to be carried on in one of the places looked over. Ammunition will be furnished at cost. Dues have not been definitely decided upon as yet, but it is planned to allow the members of the organization to belong without dues or with as low an assessment as possible. Some money will be necessary at first to repair the targets and install the short ranges, but after the original expenditure the affair will be practically self-supporting. Mr. James F. Christenson of the Engineering Department is on the committee for the American Legion of Southbridge, while President Laughnane is looking after the Hamilton Club members. This is undoubtedly a move in the right direction, and it is hoped that it will meet with the support deserved from all the organizations mentioned.

Wilfred Gagnon, second hand in Spinning Room 4, went to Lowell last week-end with his wife to visit old friends there.

Fred Bourassa has been out trout fishing lately; but it is pretty hard to get a complete account of the trip, as it seems that something happened that Fred wants to keep dark. It is suspected that he fell into the brook. He is very modest also and will not say how many he got. "Just a few," he says.

Jack Swift of the Top Mill went out for a walk last Sunday. Ask him about it. Joe Firth, Percy Whiteoak, and his brother went with him, and, according to Jack, they were the ones who had all the fun; but, of course, Jack was glad he went, because it will put him in good condition for the walking races on the next Field Day.

The Sons of St. George held a meeting recently, at which Percy Whiteoak of Department 2 was elected president. Bob Kershaw of Department 00 is chaplain.

Alfred Plimpton of the Receiving Department is recovering nicely from the accident which he recently had the misfortune to have. Al broke his ankle while helping around the Storehouse, and his many friends around the plant feel the deepest sympathy and will be mighty glad to see him around with us again.

Miss Grace Cameron has entered the employ of the Hamilton Woolen Company in Department 1.



"The Hamiltonian" prints here the picture of T. U. Prishita, as he is president of the "Zana" Albanian Society and a leader amongst the Albanian people of Southbridge. He works in the Drawing Department, is a good and faithful worker and a pleasant companion. He is a Hamilton booster and says he will be on the side lines with his friends when baseball starts.

## Baseball Smoker

A smoker talk was held in the recreation rooms Thursday evening, April 22, to which all prospective baseball players and dyed-in-the-wool fans were invited. About thirty turned out to talk over the prospects for the season. Mr. Armstrong opened the meeting with a talk on baseball from the Company's standpoint. Mr. Armstrong outlined the difficulties encountered in providing a suitable playing field and announced the good news that the contract for grading and putting the field in proper shape had been entered into, and that the work would go on to completion. At the present time a steam shovel is working every day cutting down a rise and getting the home plate in shape for the Hamilton sluggers.

Joe Laughnane presided over the gathering and called upon nearly everyone present to express himself. Cigars and cigarettes were passed around, and under their soothing influence many good ideas came forth. Mr. Flagg of the machine shop suggested that all loyal rooters be equipped with large megaphones. Another suggestion was the formation of an inter-group league composed of the Top Mill, the Big Mill, and the Upper Mill.

Joe Brown and Alec Simpson of the Baseball Committee, who are the Hamilton representatives at league meetings, spoke on the Triangular League, which will be made up this year of the American Optical Company team, Norton Company and Crompton & Knowles of Worcester, S. S. Slater & Sons, Inc., of Webster, the Hamilton Woolen Co., and one other team which has not yet been decided on.

The schedule has not been announced as yet, but the games will begin about the middle of May. The candidates have been practicing nearly every evening and are showing a lot of interest. Every indication points to a better season than last year; and when our new field is completed, the last obstacle in our baseball situation will have been removed. Mr. Brown is trying to arrange for one or two exhibition games in order to give the candidates a real workout. A captain and field manager will be elected very soon, and the players for the first contest will be picked. Some new men are out who show real promise. Watch out for the Hamilton team this year!



## John E. Hefner



It is a pleasure to report that John E. Hefner, head of the Leather Belting Department, who has been out for the past three months because of rheumatism, is gaining in strength and with further improvement will be back on the job which he has held for 45 years. Fifty-three of Mr. Hefner's 61 years of life have been passed in the employ of the Company. At eight he went on the payroll, but even before that time he spent many days in the factory. In the early days the children of employees were allowed to run about the mill almost without restraint, and John acquired the habit sooner than most of his companions. His father, August Hefner, did all the leather work for the mill, and the boy helped him as soon as he was old enough. But his first real job was running one of the old "Big Ben" vertical combs on the lower floor of the big mill. His boss was Captain Bartlett. From combing he went to loom fixing in the "fancy weave room," three flights up. Upon the death of his father he was called to take charge of the Leather Belting Department, and there he has remained, efficient and faithful. When he took charge, he did all the work himself. Now it requires five hands constantly employed. During Mr. Hefner's absence the work is in charge of Richard Morrissey, one of his protégés.

Mr. Hefner is one the finest types of men that have passed long years in the service of the Hamilton Woolen Co., and he is but one of many of the second and third generation who have been content to remain with the Company. The picture of Mr. Hefner which accompanies this article is a good likeness.

Archie L. Green has entered the employ of the Company in the Electrical Department, having come from the American Optical Company. We regret to say, however, that Mr. Green was called to his home recently, as his wife was taken to the hospital for an operation. We hope that he will soon be back with us again and that he will be able to report favorably regarding his wife.

Alfred Fournier is another new man in the Electrical Department. We sure hope he will like his work with us.

With regret we write that Joe Potvin of the Electrical Department, in charge of generator 5, lost his wife, April 30, 1920. Our deepest sympathy is extended to our fellow worker and his family.

We wonder whom Steve Joe is buying all those boxes of "Apollo" chocolates for, as "Blondy" says "Steve" is one of his best customers.

Leon Blanchette of Department 1 was married to Miss Helen Arcoite of Cross Street on May 3. We wish Leon and his bride-to-be a happy and prosperous life.

After 68 years of continuous service the 15 sets of old cards now in Department 1 have been discarded and are to be replaced by three 60 x 60" Davis & Furber cards. When these are installed, it will bring the number of this type of cards up to 18 sets. When these cards are set up and running, Mr. Yates says, "We will have one of the best-equipped Top Mills in the State."

Arthur Morin of Department 6 was recently called to his home to extinguish a slight chimney fire that had started. No damage done.

Ernest Boucher has started to train his fast pacer, for he expects to enter some of the matinee races this summer at the Sturbridge racetrack. He has acquired two good assistants in Harold Blute and John Casey. As Harold and John have had a lot of experience in this line, the pacer should be in good shape in a short time.

Olivine Marcheso has resumed her duties in Department 1, after an absence of five weeks.

Mr. Simeon Page, formerly of the dyehouse, is now employed in Department 1.

Henry Gaumond has returned to his duties in Department 1 after a week's sickness.

Howard Lee was seen running to work the other morning, and he was puffing away on his pipe at a great rate. Someone asked him the reason for all the speed; and Howard informed him that he was getting used to running with his pipe lit, so that at the next "Field Day" it would remain lighted and not go out, losing him the race, as it did last year.

The Company has recently purchased a new compact Graflex camera, 5 x 7, with F 4.5 Tessar lens, to be used for official pictures, etc., for the Company and "The Hamiltonian." A new dark room has also been equipped with all the necessities for developing films, plates, etc., in Building 18. Watch the camera man—your picture may appear in the next "Hamiltonian" issue. Any suggestions for pictures you may think would be of value to the paper will be appreciated by the editors. The camera man will be on the job, and suggestions for pictures are always in order. Departments having "newly weds" or "going to be's," or anything of the sort, let the camera man in on it.

Ralph Arnold is back on the job, having been laid up at his home with an attack of rheumatism. He is also the proud father of a baby girl, born Sunday, April 18, 1920.

James Christianson is now in charge of the drafting room and outside surveying for the Engineering Department.

The Engineering Department now has a first-class barometer and a recording thermometer. So if you are interested in the weather, come around to the engineering office and get the correct predictions.



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We take pleasure in presenting to our readers the first of a series of mystery portraits. It is the intention of the staff to award suitable prizes to those of our readers who are gifted enough to throw aside the veil of time surrounding these classic features and reveal the name of the unfortunate victim. A genuine hand-painted pomme-de-terre will be presented to the one who first sends in the name of the above pictured gentleman. All replies must be accompanied by the make and number of the contestant's second last Ingersoll watch. From general appearance of this photograph we state that in an humble opinion this young fellow just used to be the real Peruvian doughnuts, and we won't say that those good days are past, either. Contributions of similar pictures are requested, each to be marked on back with name of victim and approximate date taken, if known.



I will not tell you who this girl is, but  
Reading the first letter of  
Each line you will find  
Nothing but a sweet little girl's name,  
Esteemed by all who

Surround her  
At work or at play,  
Laborious and diligent,  
Visibly endeavoring and  
Aiming to cheer all.

## Oh, Look! A Romance in the Office

One morning early, in the fair country of South America, a youth, by name Gustavus "Prendergast," who is our friend "Samuelson," started out to visit a little town in "Pulx." Being careless, which was his one "Phalen," he lost what money he had and, as a storm was approaching, started towards a small "Cuddy" which could scarcely be seen from the roadside.

At the foot of the "Hill" he paused to examine the place. The house was quaintly built, but with "Knowles," and from the tiny chimney smoke issued.

Taking courage and as he did not fear the "Loring" that country, he entered, but became very much startled to find crouched in the "Hall" a pretty maiden, reading. As she finished the "Page," she glanced up and uttered a cry of alarm, seeing the figure entering. He assured her that all was well, and they spent the next few minutes in getting acquainted! She told him her name was Priscilla "Varnum," whom we all know is the "Darling" daughter of Sir "Johnson," who is considered very "Rich," and that she likewise had sought the place as a shelter from the terrific storm which was now raging overhead.

Being hungry, they opened up a "Casey" ven, larger than themselves, which had undoubtedly been left there by some wanderer, and they sat for over an hour chatting merrily (as they were both rather "Gareau"-lus), while she "Doletton" a small table the contents of the box, which consisted of "Buck-ley"-game, "Bean"-s and several other tempting things to eat.

After the storm had subsided, the hero, having an "Armstrong" enough, carried the fair maiden back to her father's home. On the way they paused by a sign which "Randall"-Segno, and thereby taking warning they were married and returned to the little cabin in the hills, where they lived happily ever after.



## The Engineer



The many friends of H. Olin Jackson were very glad to hear of his appointment as plant engineer recently. Mr. Jackson has been with this Company since 1916, except for the period in which he was in the army as an engineer, and has made his position here such that he is assured of the heartiest co-operation from everyone in the plant.

He attended Tufts engineering school and accepted a position after his graduation in the Engineering Department here, where he worked until this country declared war. He then enlisted in the Engineering Corps and spent eighteen months in France in active service. He held the rank of first lieutenant.

After the war he returned to the Engineering Department and is now our chief engineer, in which position we are all glad to see him.

## Hard Luck

Some people like to row, and some like to swim,

Some like to frown and others like to grin,  
Some people like to blow and others just like to talk,

And some by auto go to see a show, and some like to get out and walk.

Now this little story is about our Josephine and Bess;

They both were in their glory, and they both looked their best.

They started out for Worcester, to see a "bird" of a show;

But the car didn't run like she "used to," and their troubles began to grow.

The car stopped short, refused to run. They all got out and stood there.

If it wasn't so far from Worcester, they'd never need to care.

Now the miles, to be exact, were ten; now that isn't far.

They started to walk and walk; they sure were stickers, as good sports are.

The show began at eight; down the home stretch the heroes were coming,

Neck to neck and nose to nose, and how their heels were drumming.

Stride for stride and step for step. Old Worcester knew that they were coming.

Soon they reached that long sought city; their walk and work were done.

But the news was sad to know. Oh, it was a pity! 'Twas two hours since the show had begun.

And so I make a motion that we give these comrades true

A medal for their courage, and a new sole for each shoe.

P. Fletcher Robinson, one of the star soccer players on the Hamilton team, has booked passage for England for May 15. We are all sorry to lose "Fletcher," as he was a reliable player in his position of left halfback and always gave his opponents the game of their life.

The Hamilton Club dancing class finished up its winter's course with a May party in the recreation rooms last Friday. This class in dancing was one of the most successful activities reported by the Hamilton Club this winter and without doubt will be started again next fall. All of those who attended are now enthusiastic dance fiends; and Miss Alfreda Beck, who was the instructress, said that the class did very well indeed and that she enjoyed teaching them.

Elliot Clemence is the foreman in charge of the construction work on the new ball field.

The Fife and Drum Corps are looking for a few good fifers. If there is anyone in the mill who can play a fife at all, the corps would like to have him come out to practice and help make the corps the best ever. Anyone who would like to learn to play a fife will get free instruction.

The Hamilton Club held its monthly meeting last Tuesday night. It was one of the most interesting and lively meetings we have had so far, and many plans of importance were gone over carefully. The business meeting was followed by an entertainment, as usual, for which the members are greatly indebted to the entertainers and the committee in charge.

Miss Esther Samuelson of the office entertained a few of her friends at her home on High Street Thursday night.

Mr. Ernest Knowles is now nearly recovered from quite a severe illness which has kept him away from his work for a few weeks. The office misses him and will be glad to see him back.

Raymond Savreau was discovered purchasing a hair net recently. Now what can Raymond want one of those for?

Mr. Arthur Cooke spent last week-end in Boston attending a class reunion.

Straw hats are in season beginning today, so Watson will be able to wear his home now.

The Misses Evelyn and Nolia Proulx, Department 9, enjoyed an auto trip to Providence, R. I., and Taunton, Mass., last Sunday. While in Taunton they had a look at the famous herring run in the Taunton River.

Miss Lillian Paradis has returned from a few weeks' visit to New Hampshire, and her many friends in Department 4 greeted her very heartily.

Alfred Emmott, the Charlton farmer of Department 1-A, has a lot of cabbage cauliflower and five kinds of tomato plants for sale.

## Hello There



Howdy-do, Patsey? Everybody who has been in the Hamilton family very long knows who this is. He doesn't talk very much; but he is always on the job, and everybody likes him. He is a day watchman, and his duties are so many that we can't even begin to tell you what they are. You will see him doing the same things at the same time every day, as Patsey is methodical.

Benjamin Whitehead is to have a beautiful rose carnival soon, as he has sent to a large New York nursery for four rose bushes.

If anyone thinks that Benjamin did not get his share of chicken at the Globe church, ask Mr. Watson.

In one part of the Bible it says, "Let your light so shine." George Jones believes in this, as he is having his house wired for electric lights, the work being done by Mr. Freeman of Sturbridge.

Mrs. Leo Goddu, weaver in Department 6, was taken to Memorial Hospital to be operated on for appendicitis. The operation was successful, and she is resting comfortably now.

Miss Rosaline Lemoine, formerly of Canada, has accepted a position as drawer-in, in Department 6.

Has anyone ever had the exciting adventure of a joy ride from Webster to Southbridge, a break-down in between these places, and forced to sleep on the road with a newspaper for covering and in a space fit for six with nine in the bunch? Ask Mac of Department 6, he knows.

Miss Mary Ryan, formerly of the finishing room, has accepted a position in the office of Department 6. As Mary is a well-known sprinter, we are all glad to see her back.

## Hamilton Drum Corps



Through the efforts of three enterprising members of the Hamilton Club, Ernest Fierro, Stanley Knowles, and Stanley Harwood, there has been formed a fife and drum corps, which promises to be one of our most prominent organizations. This matter had been under consideration for some time, but no definite action had been taken, due to the expense of the necessary equipment; at the last Club meeting it was voted to lend the corps the amount of money needed to purchase the drums, slings, sticks, and other equipment. As many of the members desired to own their own drums, they will purchase them of the Club; and in this manner and through other sources it is expected that the whole amount will very soon be repaid and that it will prove a profitable investment.

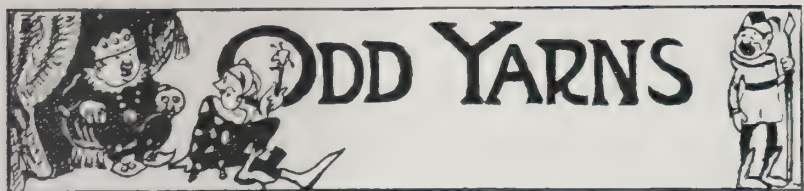
Ernest Fierro is the president, the other officers being John Rowley, vice-president; Stanley Harwood, treasurer; and Stanley Knowles, drum sergeant.

Albert Lavallee is the handsome and distinguished drum-major. The buglers are Henry Robidoux, Jr., Wilfred Pelletier, Francis Lachappelle, Charles Thibeault, and William Farquhar. Fifes: John Brown, Albert Potvin, James Fallon, and Patrick Moriarty. Drums: Ernest Fierro, John Rowley, Stanley Harwood, Stanley Knowles, Ulric Lavallee, Angelo Masse, George Thibeault, and Wilfred Gagnon, while our well-known David Simpson whangs the big bass drum.

The corps has had several outdoor practice marches in the evening, on which occasions they marched up the state road as far as Fairview Park, causing more commotion in Globe Village than had occurred since 1869. The roll of the drums, the blare of the bugles, and the shrill toots of the fifes aroused the quiet settlement from end to end.

When our baseball season opens and the team marches on, preceded by the Hamilton Fife and Drum Corps, the mill may be justly proud of the stirring music they make and of the initiative shown by the members who started the movement.





Basil Proulx—no, not the blacksmith, but his son—has taken charge of the wool warehouse on River Street.

Miss Alberta Poulin and Agnola Careau spent a week-end in Danielson recently visiting friends.

Among the recent visitors to Charlton were Miss Irene Salva and Eva Poulin. They spent a pleasant afternoon in the park there.

Angelo Masi has taken charge of spinning room No. 2. He formerly was a fixer in room No. 1.

William Dupre, who has been out all winter suffering from acute rheumatism, is now back on his old job in drawing room No. 4. We are all glad to see him back and hope that the rheumatism will soon leave him entirely and forever.

Jack Brogan has bought two pigs.

A party of girls went to Worcester by auto recently to watch a bowling match between a team of Worcester girls and a team of girls from Southbridge. We are glad to report that Nellie Brennan got high string with 115 and high total with 274. Those in the party were Miss Bessie Hogan, Laura Albee, Mary Thebault, Viola Clarke, Elsie Leno, Gertrude Ryan, and May Cudhy.

Richard Dale, who was Mr. Mitchell's assistant in the Engineering Department, has left us to take a position somewhere in Pennsylvania. We are sorry to have Mr. Dale leave us and wish him the best success in his new place.

Fred Bourassa thought he had lost his happy home the other day when he was called out of the mill to put out a chimney fire that his wife discovered.

Urie Lavallee has started working in the belt shop recently. He is one of the best drummers in our drum corps.

A. McDonald of the weave shop challenges anybody to anything.

There is an addition being made to the power house for the purpose of housing a new centrifugal pump which will furnish hot water to the dyehouse. The structure will be of brick to correspond with the rest of the power house.

There are a great many trees in the mill yard, among which are some very fine elms; and the Company is having a tree expert go over them, so we will not lose any of them.

The Company has just bought a new Packard truck, which will be used principally for the trip to Worcester for our branch there. It is a five-ton truck and has a large body, so as to accommodate a bulky load. Its battleship gray color and the big brass plates with Hamilton Woolen Company on them make it look pretty fine.

Wilfred Pauhlus, catcher on last season's A. O. Co. baseball team, is now working in Department 9 and will be a candidate for the catcher's position on our team. Wilfred can also pitch a pretty good game. He has taken off considerable weight lately and will be in better condition than ever and should prove quite an asset to the Hamilton team.

The soccer football team had its picture taken Saturday, April 24, 1920, after which it went up to the Hamilton Field and indulged in a good practice for about two hours.

After the football practice a few of the team got together and practiced the running broad jump, also the hop, step, and jump, so it looks as if there will be some of the boys entered in these events at our "Field Day."

The Soccer Football Committee was in hopes that it would be able to book a few games for this spring; but it seems that all of the soccer teams in this vicinity have disbanded, so it was unable to get any games.

The Top Mill employees are strong for "chicken," as was shown by the way they turned out for the "chicken supper" at the Union Congregational Church the other night. There was a strong delegation of them present, and they did justice to a good spread.

The bowlers of the Department 6 team were recently rewarded for their past season's work with a box of cigars, the gift of H. J. Roan, their overseer.

Philip Duhamel of Department 6 and friends were recently in Providence on a motor trip in Duhamel's new car. While there they visited old acquaintances.

Miss Sophie Plante of the Drawer-in Department has been out several days, due to a severe cold.

Charles Spalding was asked if he intended to come out for baseball practice this season; and Charlie replied that he wasn't very strong on baseball, but when it came to running a "Duster" or playing a "Fiddle," he was there with the tinkle.

Joseph Dupre has resigned from Department 1, to enter Department 8.

### Clean-Up Week Results Are Good



Looking out one of the mill windows, this is what you see. The Company has been carrying on a great clean-up campaign this spring, and the mill yards and buildings look great. This picture shows the foot-bridge that crosses the river from Hamilton Street and which saves a great many people quite a few steps. A new flight of stairs has been put in to replace the old ones that stood beside the old blacksmith shop, which is a big improvement. The site where the blacksmith shop was, has been cleaned up and loam spread and graded, so that we will soon have a good-looking lawn there. All the fences have been painted and a good many of the buildings also, which makes everything look spick and span. Don't throw papers around, and be careful of our lawns; we all like to have things looking nice.

Nellie Brennan and Josephine Dumas, Department 9, took in the musical comedy, "The Canary," at the Worcester Theater, Friday night, April 30.

Mrs. Naughton of Department 9, who has been out with the flu the past month, is gaining rapidly and expects to be back at work with us soon.

When the phosphate and seed potatoes are distributed for the gardens, H. S. Mason, Department I-A, will deliver them for anyone who will let him know in advance.

The latest entry amongst the "poultry fanciers" in the Top Mill is Emanuel Daigle, better known as "Jack," who has built a coop and expects to start in raising chickens very soon.

Jack says that the other fellows will have to step some when he gets going, as he intends to keep only the best stock.

It is rumored that Joseph Lachapelle is getting some also, but when interviewed "Joe" would not verify the rumor.

Albert Potvin is back with us again in the Finishing Department after an absence of two years, spent in the employ of the Litchfield Shuttle Co. The members of the Hamilton Club Drum Corps are pleased to have Albert back, as he is an expert fife player and will coach the beginners in the drum corps.

Monroe Walters has returned to work after an illness of ten weeks.

Joseph Duprac is once more back at his old job, after an enforced vacation.

Mrs. William Potvin, a former employee of the Finishing Department, was pleasantly surprised last Monday evening when six of her former shopmates rang her doorbell and presented her little daughter Rita Loraine with a locket and chain. Miss Aldea Lavallee made the presentation. After a pleasant hour of singing and playing games, Mrs. Potvin served lunch. Those in the party were the Misses Mary Ryan, Aldea Lavallee, Albina Lavallee, Olivine Paul, Jennie Bachand, and Nathalie St. Onge.

Joseph Dumas of Department 9 and Bessie Mountain, Department 7, spent the past week at Miss Mountain's home in Pittsfield. This was the first time Miss Dumas has been away from home overnight, and she was mighty glad to be back safe.

On the twenty-third of April, in the Sturbridge Town Hall, a very pretty play was staged when Edna Small of the Planning Department appeared as leading lady in "Light-House Nan." The large crowd from Southbridge that went up agreed that Sturbridge was on the map, in things of that sort at least. Our friend Edna wore a wig of light curls which, rumor has it, she hired from Mary Pickford for the occasion. However this may be, we are sure she did them justice.

A number of the girls from the office spent May Day in Worcester, going to the theater in the afternoon and attending a banquet in honor of the three hundredth anniversary of the founding of Congregationalism, at the Pilgrim Church of that city, in the evening.

Dan Cupid seems to be working overtime in Department 2. Four of our spinners were married this month, three on the third of May and one on the eleventh. On the third of May, Vitaline Arcoite was married to Leon Blanchette, Cecelia Metivier to Joseph Napoleon Laroche, and Francis Skizela to Walenty Futur.

On May 11, Miss Mileda Livernois became Mrs. Laplante. After their honeymoon spent in Providence, they will reside with Mrs. Laplante's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Laroche are spending their honeymoon in Maine, while Mr. and Mrs. Blanchette are in New Bedford enjoying their wedding trip.

Mr. Lot Northrop has left Department 2 to accept a position in Rhode Island.

Mr. C. W. Cornock, who has charge of Departments 2 and 2-R, has moved from Hamilton Street to Sayles Street, into the cottage recently purchased from J. Wilcox.

James Fallon has left Department 6 and has accepted a position as painter in Department 15.

Israel Leduc of Department 6 has accepted a position in the Hyde Outlery Company. As Leduc is one of our best bowlers, his loss will be greatly felt by the team.

Miss Coriveau of Department 6 has returned to work after several weeks' absence due to sickness of relatives.

Mr. Hiram, overseer in Department 4, has recently moved to 134 Hamilton Street, the house previously occupied by Mr. Cornock.

The many friends of Mrs. Imelda Desrosiers-Belanger were glad of the visit she paid us on April 25.

We are all wondering just why Eva is so sad lately. Will you please tell us, that our anxiety may be relieved, Eva?



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## The Hamilton Woolen Company's Water Supply for Power

How often in the springtime we have watched the falls at the Globe Pond dam, fascinated by the majesty and beauty of the water pounding down the stone steps and awed by its tremendous power as it roars over the dam. It is not hard then to realize that our little Quinebaug River, so pretty and peaceful in spots, produces power enough to run hundreds of machines in the Hamilton Woolen Co., not to mention those in other factories all along its banks. After watching the falls for a while we may possibly wander up by the gate-house to look up a long expanse of water commonly known as "Big Pond," toward the bend of the river. Then we wonder, "Where does all this water come from?" Although it is said that the older inhabitants of most of the towns above us, Sturbridge, Mashapaug, Union, Holland, Brimfield, and even Wales, claim that their particular brooks form the source of the Quinebaug, a glance at the accompanying map shows that apparently this distinction belongs to either Lead Mine Pond or Mashapaug. From there its volume is constantly augmented by little streams and brooks and the waters of various reservoirs.

Stories of the development of this water power fill many chapters of the history and traditions of this part of the country since the first white settlers came in the early part of the eighteenth century. It seems hardly believable that in the past two hundred years the banks of the Quinebaug and its tributary streams have been dotted with more than fifty little mills, manufacturing as many different products. Scarcely any of these small undertakings have survived competition with larger industries and the hardships entailed by lack of water control, but many a pile of stones or brick wall may be found to bear testimony to the courage and enterprise of those who have preceded us. Besides drought in summer, the river was subjected to severe freshets in the spring. This was due not only to larger amounts of water from melting snow and spring rains, but also to the topography of the country itself. With its steep hills and slopes and very few flat meadows, the water flows off within a very short time. This caused

much trouble and no little damage to the early mills and factories built along its banks. One instance of this occurred nearly a century ago, when a dam, built nearly where the present main dam stands, was washed out and a large wooden building carried downstream until it passed over the dam at the Central Mills, wrecking a new stone bridge just below.

While we still have some trouble caused by freshets, this danger is greatly minimized by the use of the chain of reservoirs shown by the accompanying map and photographs. These reservoirs serve two important purposes: first, the retarding and checking of the quick run-off of water; and second, the storage of water which can be let down during periods of drought to supply power and water for the manufacturing needs of the various mills. There are eight reservoirs upon which the Hamilton Woolen Co. depends for its water supply, and all the flowage rights but one are either owned or controlled by the Company. These are Walker, Cedar and Long Ponds, Little Alum, Holland Reservoir, Upper and Lower Mashapaug, and Lead Mine Pond.

Following the river upstream from the Globe, the first reservoir is Walker Pond, a charming little lake from an artistic point of view. The use of this water for storage was an early venture when a dam was built across Hobbs Brook, at a point two miles north of Sturbridge, thus forming the present Walker Pond. As the dam was reconstructed by this Company a few years ago, this water is still accessible. However, as the quantity of water contained is not large and much of it is absorbed in the meadows of Sturbridge when released, this reservoir is seldom used.

Cedar Pond, familiar to most of us because of its convenient location near the Sturbridge Fair Grounds, is the first reservoir of importance. This has in store a supply of water sufficient to last the Company about six days. Under normal conditions of weather this pond would be refilled in about two months. The dam here was built by the Hamilton Woolen Co. about 1861. One of the reasons why this is a very important supply for the Company is that it is only four hours

away; or in other words it takes the water four hours to flow from Cedar to the Globe Pond after it has been released. Also because of its nearness, as well as its natural beauty, this is the most popular of the numerous small lakes which dot our countryside.

Although the Hamilton Woolen Co. does not own the next water privilege, Long Pond, it has been of great importance, as it was previously operated in conjunction with the others by permission of the owners, the Fiskdale Finishing Co. The reason for its present disuse, as shown by one of the pictures, is the destruction of the dam, which was carried away by high water in the winter of 1918. Since this pond would hold about twelve days' water supply, the reconstruction of the dam would be a great benefit.

The water privileges of Little Alum are owned by this Company, but there are at present no means available for utilizing the water. Several miles above this is Old Holland Pond, an extremely pretty little natural body of water through which the river runs. This water is not drawable.

Above this point is the Company's main water supply, Hamilton Reservoir, commonly known as Holland Reservoir. The pictures shown cannot express the beauty of this lake stretching out among the hills. Were it not for the unfortunate but necessary evil that the water is often drawn very low in the hot weather, its shores would

be lined with summer homes. To many "Hamiltonians" this spot needs no introduction, for it has long been a mecca for ardent fishermen. Although but a half mile across at its widest point, it stretches down the valley for over three miles, with a storage content of over a billion gallons, or a water supply sufficient for nineteen days. When this reservoir was made, its area of four hundred and fifty acres flooded many prosperous farms and much fertile land.

Next largest in storage capacity and located a short distance above Holland is the reservoir at Mashapaug. This fascinating lake, lying among the hills of Connecticut, furnishes scenery which has already attracted numberless Southbridge people to its shores. Originally this body of water was but three feet in depth; later, in 1840, the construction of higher dams raised the water level to eight feet, and again in 1899 it was raised still more to a depth of eighteen feet, where it remains to-day, thus creating approximately a seventeen days' supply of water. Until recently there was a considerable leakage at the south end of the lake, thus letting the water waste through Bigelow Hollow into Connecticut. To prevent this loss, a new concrete dam has been built at this point, so that now wastage occurs only when the reservoir is overflowing. Due to the steep hills surrounding Mashapaug,

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### The Mystery Picture



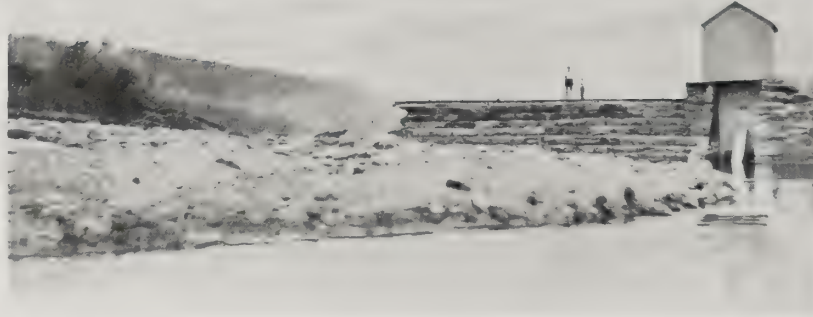
It is with a sense of pride that we offer for the inspection of our readers the next photograph in our series of mystery pictures. While the disguise is unusually effective, still almost anyone will recognize the heart-whole and fancy-free air with which the gentleman reclines upon his cane while the smoke from his fragrant Italian cigar drifts upon and through the atmosphere. At first glance it would seem a picture of some Norman duke, but that impression is false. Who will rend asunder the mantle of mystery surrounding this portrait and win the non-refillable toothbrush offered as a prize for the first solution?

Bradford, Yorkshire, papers please copy.

Clarence Briggs of Department 17 pipe shop and Miss Bessie Gauthier Ferry of Department 7 burling room were married in Woodstock, Conn., Saturday, May 29. "The Hamiltonian" extends congratulations and best wishes.

## The Hamilton Woolen Company's Water Supply for Power

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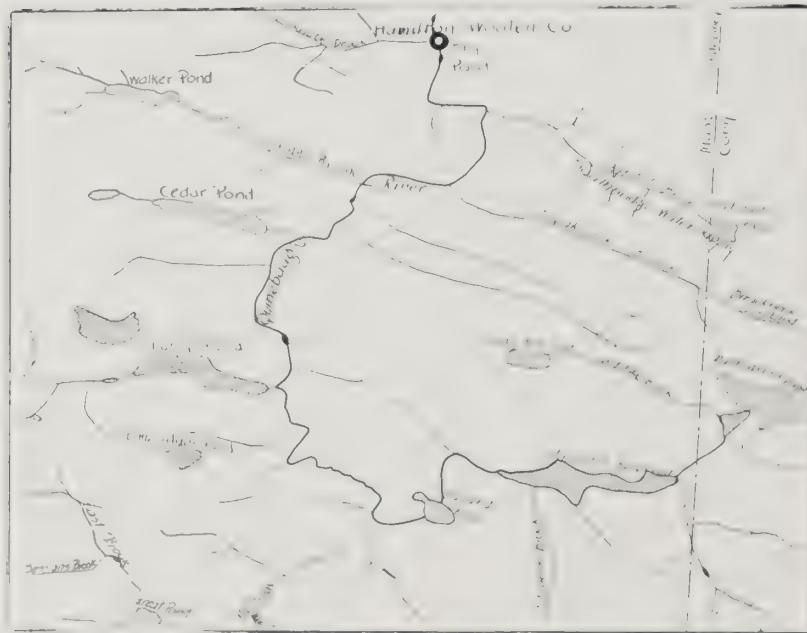


Long Pond Dam

this overflow is usually a negligent amount, for the drainage area is so small the pond refills very slowly. One of the disadvantages of both Mashapaug and Holland Reservoirs is their distance from Southbridge. To run from Holland to Globe Village by "river power" takes forty-four hours, while the journey from Mashapaug to Holland requires four more hours, making a total of forty-eight hours to Southbridge. How fast can you make it in your little "Tin Lizzie"?

empties into the Quinebaug below Cedar Pond. A glance at the map shows this to be a far more direct route; but this procedure was soon stopped because of the dissatisfaction of factory owners farther up the river, who thereby lost the use of this water.

This completes the list of storage basins upon which the Hamilton Woolen Co. depends for its water supply during the hot weather when the natural flow in the river dwindles to a negligible amount. It



The last water privilege owned by the Company is known as Lead Mine Pond, located picturesquely at the foot of Lead Mine Mountain in western Sturbridge, and previously mentioned as a debatable source of the Quinebaug. At present this water is not drawable; but when it overflows, it fills a circuitous route through Lower Mashapaug, joining the rest of the river in its course through Holland and Fiskdale, finally reaching the Globe Pond. To eliminate many of these windings, a scheme was devised and operated some years ago to divert this water from Lead Mine Brook through a canal to Hamant Brook, which

may be that now, as we look up at the falls and the bend in the river, our mind's eye will travel still farther and see this chain of pretty little reservoirs which are quietly "doing their bit" for our Hamilton Woolen Co. and many other industries. Representing as they do the expenditure of a large amount of money, time, and energy for a long time in the past, these reservoirs bear testimony to the foresight and enterprise of the forward-looking men who have preceded us. It is for us to continue their work and develop this abundant water supply still more to help satisfy the ever increasing demands of our modern industries.



Holland Pond

## Riverside

William Spayne is out to beat the H. C. L., for he has joined the Overall Club.

Bart Gallagher must be in the poultry business, for he knows all the brands of chicken feed.

If anyone would like to hear a good oration, just ask Mr. Nadeau to recite his experience while looking for a tenement in Worcester.

The latest addition to Margaret Hill's family of pets is a parrot which recites the events of the day, when she returns in the evening.

Mr. Patrick Nugent has the honor of being one of the first swimmers of the season, taking his first swim May 31.

## 40 Years With Company



Henry J. Roan, who has just relinquished his position as boss weaver, was with the Company 40 years, 33 of which he had charge of a room and for several years was in complete charge of the weaving for the Company. The help under him, as a mark of their esteem, gave him a purse of \$100. This was one of the most gratifying things that have come to him in his life, and he appreciates the goodwill indicated, much more than the money.

In the matter of vacations Mr. Roan followed the old custom, now not so much honored, of hardly ever taking a vacation, and this is especially true of the first 25 years with the Company. He feels, as do his wide circle of friends, that he is entitled to just as long a rest as he desires to take. Thirty-three years ago he took charge of a weave room in the print-works building, and not long after he succeeded Alexander Cole as weaver at the "big mill." When the Company's weaving was consolidated in the new factory, Mr. Roan was placed in supreme charge of it. This position he held until he passed from the employ of the Company.

Of the many and varied changes that have taken place at the big plant in the past 40 years, he was not only an interested spectator, but also a part.

Paul Berthiaume is now acting watchman at the main gate, Upper Mill, in place of Thomas Cody, who is ill at his home with inflammatory rheumatism.



## Our Transportation Service



We are pleased to show in this issue pictures of the men and machines in connection with our transportation work. Without this very efficient department, the mill would be at a great loss in carrying on its daily work. One little realizes the vast amount of work accomplished and the miles covered during a day. The passenger service consists of one Winton limousine, two Ford touring cars, and one Ford runabout. "Jack" Ryan, chief repair man, drives the Winton, assisted by N. Collette and Geo. Thibeault on the smaller cars. The trucks in the department are as follows:

Packard (new 1920), 3½ ton, J. Comeaux, N. Chauvin.

Packard, 2 ton, H. Thibeault, L. Grammond.

White, 1½ ton, F. Duteau, J. Gaumond.

Autocar, 2 ton, O. Pion, E. Coderre.

Ford, 1 ton, R. Rheaume, H. Loranger.

The new Packard is one of the finest of its kind made and has a body 18½ feet in length. This is used especially in the Worcester service and other heavy work.

Burt Lavallee, the distinguished drum major for our Drum Corps, will soon have a handsome model of the statue of liberty to raffle off, the proceeds to go towards the purchase of a baton for the drum major.

Joe Buckley had some time the other night, when he was trying to put a cat away. Joe got his formula reversed, as he put the chloroform in the wash boiler first and then tried to put the cat in. The inside of that wash boiler didn't smell very good to pussy, so a struggle followed, in which Joe was the loser. After a heated chase and a thrilling capture, the cat was passed on, and Joe retired from the field of battle feeling as Colonel Roosevelt must have felt after killing a tiger.

Department 2 bowlers are still training for a match with the Riverside bowlers. They feel that, even if they do not improve, they may be waiting long enough to catch the Riverside men off their guard.

Joe Buckley had a sister come over from England recently. She is from Manchester and has taken a position in Mr. Payne's department. As Joe's sister, she is sure of a hearty welcome here.

Of course, you've heard all about the "big fish" caught Memorial Day in two bodies of water just a "wee ways" from town. Armed with all kinds of "bait," hooks of every description, lots of nerve and courage, Messrs. Sickman and Wilcock descended upon "Jack" Martin in his lair, bent upon hooking the biggest ever. But—like stocks—there is the "preferred," and there is the "common." Now, John is so intimately acquainted with his stock that they feed out of his hand and even answer to their first names. With his assistance, a fine string resulted, in addition to an enjoyable day spent in and about the woods.

All the amateur gardeners are hard at work in their gardens these evenings, but we haven't heard of any of them complaining of the blisters they raised as yet.

Wilfred Faford has entered the employ of the Hamilton Woolen Co. in Department 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Hillam and Mr. and Mrs. Yates attended the banquet given by the National Association of Woolen and Worsted Overseers at Rocky Point, Providence, R. I., on May 15, spending the week-end with friends in Providence and Pawtucket.

Miss Emelia McDonald, formerly employed in Department 4, who has left us on account of sickness, was greatly surprised by her friends when they presented her with a large May basket filled with delicious things. And what a surprise for her when she reached the bottom of the basket! There was a beautiful chain and pendant awaiting her. She will soon leave us for a few months' vacation to be spent in New York. Her many friends wish her a very pleasant time.

Miss Rose Lachapelle of Department 4 left us very unexpectedly; but we all know why, for she will be one of the June brides.

Miss Eva Girard has been out for a few weeks on account of illness.

Adelard Lavallee, a member of the Drum Corps, was very much surprised to notice in the last "Hamiltonian" that his name was omitted from the list of Drum Corps members. Mr. Lavallee has experienced a heartache ever since.

Miss Olivine Paul spent Memorial Day in Springfield and Riverside Park, making the journey in her new Westcott roadster; that is, it will be hers before long. What do you say, Olivine?

We are very sorry to inform the readers of "The Hamiltonian" that the reporter from Department 9 has lost his wisdom, as he had to have his wisdom tooth extracted Tuesday. Hard luck, Jack, but you were too wise.

Alfred Potvin of Department 11 has resigned his position and accepted one with the Worcester Electric Light Company. Ralph Hosmer, catcher on this year's ball team, has been transferred from Department 12 to Department 11.

The Fife and Drum Corps conducted a dance in the recreation rooms June 4, which was a very successful party all around. The Knowles Brothers Orchestra furnished very good music, and a fine time was had by everyone there. The proceeds from the dance went into a fund to furnish uniforms for the Corps, who are trying to do things up brown and have a Drum Corps we can be proud of.

The Electrical Department has recently put in a lot of new wiring and panel boards in the print-works mill. This will improve the lighting fixtures at that end of the plant a great deal.

Walter Armstrong of the Electrical Department, who was recently married, was presented with a very fine electric flat-iron by his friends in that department.

Ernest G. Barnes of Sturbridge, long a well-known merchant of that town, has entered the employ of the Company in the Shipping Department.

Charles F. Farrow has moved into the house on Oliver Street formerly occupied by Mr. Payne.

David Yates of Hamilton Street has moved to 27 High Street.

Joseph Quevillion of Department 1 had the misfortune of breaking and lacerating one of his fingers in a gill on May 21.

William Buckingham of Graniteville, Mass., has entered the employ of the Hamilton Woolen Co. in Department 1 as second hand in the card room. Mr. Buckingham will be a welcome addition to our ball team, as he is reported to be a good ball player.

From Department 6.



A close-up of three members of the Drawer-in Department of Department 6. They are as follows, from left to right: Miss Elodia Goddu, Miss Rose Loranger, and Miss Rose Lemoine. Miss Goddu has been an employee of the Hamilton Woolen Co. for over 15 years. Miss Loranger has been with this Company 5 years. Miss Lemoine has just joined us; she was formerly a school teacher in Canada.

Muriel Hall of the Cost Department was married June 1 to Mr. Harry Vander Pyl of Worcester. On the day she left the Company's employ she was presented with a mahogany Seth Thomas clock by her fellow employees, the presentation being made by Mr. Wilcox in behalf of himself and the others. The wedding was at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hall, Water Street, Rev. Mr. Hoyt of the Methodist Episcopal Church officiating. The house was beautifully decorated with flowers and ferns. Mrs. Pyl was employed by the Company six years, five of which were in the office of H. J. Roan. For the past year she has been under Mr. Wilcox at the Cost Department. The young couple visited New York City and Philadelphia on their honeymoon journey. They will live in Worcester.

Perhaps some of our readers may be able to design a dancing pump that will not pinch the feet while the person wearing same is dancing. Joe Dumas and Evelyn Proulx of Department 9 say that there is a chance to coin money in the above proposition.

Miss Natalie St. Onge of the Sample Department was married at Notre Dame Church, Monday, May 17, to Alfred Beaudry of Eln Street.

On Wednesday, May 12, about thirty of Miss St. Onge's friends and co-workers assembled at the recreation rooms, and Miss Olivine Paul, on behalf of the others, presented the bride-to-be with a handsome chest of silver. Miss St. Onge responded fittingly, after which vocal solos were given by the Misses Mary E. Ryan, Olivine Paul, Albina Lavallee, and Anna Gibeault. Dancing followed, and a good time was enjoyed by all present.

Mr. Durgin of Department 9 has sold the old waste-house, which he purchased from the Company, to Mr. Walker of the Walker Lumber Co. and has bought the garage owned by Mr. Payne on Oliver Street. The Southbridge Trucking Co. will move the building to Mr. Durgin's place this week.

Mrs. Louise Robichaud has resigned her position in the Finishing Department to take a much needed rest.

Thomas McDonald of Department 6 was recently married to Miss Jessie Boiteau. After their honeymoon, which will be spent in Dausenville, Woonsocket, and New York, they will reside at 45 Plimpton Street.

Thomas McDonald was presented a clock recently, the gift of his fellow workmen.

Miss Arcelina Ravelle has returned to Department 6 and is now a smash-piecer and cloth inspector on looms.

John Brennan of Department 8 is building a garage at his home on Pleasant Street. It is being built of lumber from the old blacksmith shop which Mr. Brennan bought from the Company last fall. Basile Proulx has charge of the building.

Arthur Leduc of the Finishing Department has purchased a flivver. Arthur expects to burn up the road Saturday afternoons, taking people to the ball games when our team plays out of town.

Miss Cecilia Fallon of Department 9 took part in the entertainment given by the local Women's Relief Corps, last Monday evening, after their regular meeting.



## 150 Attend Mock Wedding



Back row: Antoinette Proulx, bridesmaid; Antoinette Demers, father of groom; Mabel Dufault, bridesmaid; Alma Proulx, best man; Marion Dumas, bridesmaid; Valida Dufault, father of bride; Valida Gaudette, presentation speech; Angelina Collette, officiating clergyman.

Front row: Evelina Berthiaume, real bride; Dora Larochelle, ring bearer; Lauretta Collette, flower girl; Annette Proulx, bridegroom; Irene Demers, bride; Marie Rose Craite, flower girl.

One of the prettiest mock weddings seen in a long time was staged in the recreation room the evening of May 14, in honor of Miss Evelina Berthiaume. Miss Berthiaume was married May 24 to Pierre Girouard, of Central Falls, R. I., and the party was for the dual purpose of giving her instruction as to how to act during the ceremony and of presenting her with a token of the esteem in which she was held by her fellow workers and friends. The gift was a large leather arm-chair, the presentation being made by Miss Valida Gaudette. About one hundred and fifty people were present.

By the way some of the wool sorters bought seed potatoes and fertilizer this spring and by the way they are planning on the harvest, they will have enough potatoes to supply the natives and all the starch factories in New England.

If any of the auto fans think they can do one better than Fred Walters with his motorcycle, they have another think coming, as Fred is so full of motor oil he can go round the corners on one wheel; so look out.

Miss Clara Hefner has returned from a month's vacation spent in Washington, D. C.

Mr. George Payne, overseer of Department 7, was pleasantly surprised May 25 in the recreation room, when Mrs. William Dennison in behalf of the employees presented him with a reading lamp and chair. Mr. Payne has recently moved into his new home on South Street.

Miss Helen Goldinger has resigned her position in the mending room, Department 7, and returned to her home in Pennsylvania.

Miss May Sheridan and Miss Agatha Kelley spent the week-end at their bungalow in Brimfield.

Miss Jeannette Page and Miss Dorothy Tully, formerly in the employ of the American Optical Co., are now working in the Cost Department.

Miss Esther Samuelson spent the recent holidays in Woodstock.

Miss Agatha Kelly, until recently a bookkeeper in Department 6, has been transferred to the Cost Department.

Several of the ardent tennis supporters from Department 10 have already been seen on the courts getting in practice for the tournament to be held in the fall.

David Simpson would look more natural if he played the bass drum in the Drum Corps with two drum sticks.

Walter Armstrong of the Electrical Department is back at work after a one week's honeymoon trip through New Hampshire. Walter looks fine, and married life seems to agree O. K. Walter will have to travel back and forth to Fiskdale now, as he resides there with his wife. He had some time last February making connections during severe snowstorms, but it is all over now. We all extend to Mr. and Mrs. Walter hearty congratulations and wish them happiness, etc.

We are glad to hear that Mrs. Green, wife of Arice L. Green of the Electrical Department, is very much improved, having been under an operation in the hospital, and hope to see her in our town with her husband soon. Mr. Green's home is in Newton.

Agnes, do the fishes keep secrets at Alum Pond?

## Graduation of Classes in English

Graduation exercises of the English classes were held in the Company's recreation room the evening of May 5, 1920, attended by about one hundred relatives and friends of the graduation class. A very pleasing program was given, as follows:

1. Selections—Patriotic. Orchestra
2. Flag Salute
3. Star-Spangled Banner
4. Presentation of Class for Certification
5. Letter. Antonio Viau
6. Reading, "Each Brought His Gift." Marie Anne Tavernier
7. Reading, "Opportunities for Education." Joseph Poirier
8. Reading, "Community Life." Wilhelmina Martin
9. Selection. Orchestra
10. Reading, "True Liberty." Andrew Peezka
11. Reading, "A United Nation." Amanda Martin
12. Letter of Appreciation. Marie Craite
13. Selection—America
14. Presentation of Certificates by Mr. E. Benj. Armstrong

After the exercises were over, ice-cream and cookies were served. Dancing was then enjoyed by all present, music being furnished by the orchestra.

Yes, the Cost Department, Department 7, and the pipe shop, and the fellow who fell in the brook and spilled all the bait, had some time up in the northern part of the state, fishing, one night last week. They were not asked to prove any of their stories, as, so far as heard from, it would be wiser to believe the stories than to make any attempt to hunt up the proof.

But how Morse could fall in the brook, spill all the bait, and come home *dry* is a question for the Ouija board. They say the scenery in that section of the country traveled is something grand at night.

Miss Helen Renfrew of Department 9 has been promoted to the office force of the Weaving Department. What Department 7 loses, Department 6 has surely gained.

Miss Jennie Renfrew and Mrs. Mary Regan visited in Providence over the holiday.

Mrs. Annie Patterson visited Mrs. Lillian Brooke, a former employee of Department 7, in Bristol, R. I., for the week-end.

## Takes Charge of Weaving



Ernest Birdsall, who has been placed in charge of the weaving, comes to the Company with a wide experience. For a number of years he was with the Arlington Mills, both in Lawrence and North Adams. Having spent most of his life in a weave shop, he knows a good deal about such work, and no doubt his best endeavors will be put forth in the interests of all. He believes firmly in co-operation, and this kind of spirit he will foster among those in his charge, trying at all times to be fair and helpful.

Most of his 40 years of life have been devoted to the art of weaving, and the practical side of it he has had ample opportunity to study, as well as the theoretical side of the subject. Coming as he does an entire stranger to the help, he trusts to earn their goodwill and loyalty, and among his chief concerns will be that of meriting it.

Picking up the threads in a new place is a slow process at best, so different are local conditions and requirements, but this Mr. Birdsall appears to be doing in a manner which indicates his broad knowledge of the matters directly affecting the weaving and in a not much less important way as affecting all with whom he comes in contact.

Mr. Birdsall is a married man and has two children, a boy of 13 and a girl of 4. He has met with such warmth of friendship since coming to Southbridge that he already likes the place very much and as soon as he can find a suitable house will bring Mrs. Birdsall and the children here.

## Field Day Plans Are Developing Fast



John O. Martin, General Chairman in Charge of Field Day

Preparations have begun for the third annual Field Day, which promises to be even larger and more interesting than ever. The 104th Regiment Band has again been engaged, as it was decided that last year's music could not be improved upon. Moving pictures will be taken of all events and the crowds attending and will be shown a day or two later. The athletic events will have a larger number of contestants, and there will be some extra-gorgeous horse-racing.

A partial list of committees follows: Honorary chairman, E. Benj. Armstrong; honorary vice-chairman, A. C. Varnum; general chairman, John O. Martin; assistant chairman, Joseph V. Laughane; secretary, Miss R. Esther Samuelson.

Athletics—A. F. Simpson, chairman; Miss Laura Albee, J. Nelson Shotts, B. Whitehead, Robert Kershaw, assistant chairmen.

Grounds—Richard Yates, chairman; J. F. McNally, secretary; John W. Swift, E. Daigle, C. F. Farrow, Everett Freeman, Joseph Firth, Steve Joe, Arthur Whiteoak, Harry Mason, Percy Whiteoak, Wm. McKermack, W. W. Grant, Wm. Walters, David Yates, Ernest G. Barnes.

Entertainment—G. A. Watson, chairman.

Welfare—Miss Etta Mason, chairman; Miss Lillian Anger, assistant chairman; Frank Greenwood, Jos. Morrissey, Andre Paulhaus, Mrs. Gerry, Mrs. Perry, Alice Toozyouska, Rose Mase, Grace St. Onge, Ada White, Celia Fallon, Bessie Mountain, Josephine Bill, Claudia Suprenant, May Cuddihy, Valida Dufault, Mary Ryan, Blanche Collette.

Transportation—H. F. Ryan, chairman.

Publicity—G. S. Rich, chairman; W. W. Grant, John Walsh, Wilfred Gagnon, John Rowley.

Music—A. F. Sickman, Jr., chairman; W. Kriemendahl.

Dance—A. F. Sickman, Jr., chairman; Grace Templeman, Josephine Dumas, Catherine Phelan, Joseph Brown, Alfred Dumas.

C. F. Morse of the Service Department, George Wood of the burling room, Frank Horr of the Piping Department, and J. H. Wilcock of the Cost Department took a day off, fishing, last week. They were conveyed to this (pet) brook of Mr. Horr's in his touring car. They returned home about midnight the same day with 36 speckled beauties, everyone covering the law.



Hamilton Club Has Membership Drive



The Membership Committee

At the May meeting of the Hamilton Club, a motion was made that a committee be appointed to make a drive for new members. After considerable discussion, the following committee was appointed by the chair: Robert Kershaw, chairman, the other members being William Hefner, Wilfrid Gagnon, Adclard Lavallee, Antoinette Proulx, Claudio Pleau, Miss Laura Albee, Amidee Girard, Miss Bessie Hogan, Raymond Goodell, William Olney, Richard Morrissey, David Simpson, Frank Greenwood, Frank Horr, Ralph Arnold, Henry Boucher. The committee met on May 14, fourteen members being present and great interest being shown in the work. A plan was mapped out which we think worked out very satisfactorily. The following were appointed on the Entertainment Committee: Claudio Pleau, chairman; Miss Laura Albee, Amidee Girard, Miss Bessie Hogan, and William Hefner. The meeting adjourned until the following Friday evening, May 21, when reports were brought in with the names of 174 new members and with all trying for the 200 mark before the regular meeting night. Great difficulty was encountered in getting the committee together to have their picture taken; but thanks to the efforts of Mr. Ralph Arnold, who is one of the committee, we finally got them together on Friday evening, May 28, and they were taken on the lawn near the main office by Mr. William Arnold.

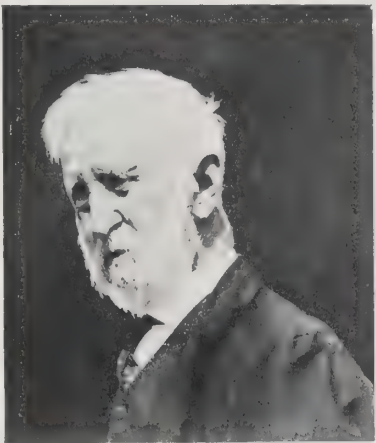
The Entertainment Committee secured an orchestra for dancing in addition to a good entertainment which was given after the regular business meeting of the Club on June 8.

Robert Kershaw, chairman, wishes to thank all of the Membership Committee for their efforts in making this drive a success and for the congenial way in which it was conducted.

Wages Go Up

The Company has granted its employees another increase in wages, effective June 1, the announcement causing general satisfaction. Everybody appreciates what the Company has done, not only at this time, but on former occasions when conditions permitted increases. Of course the matter started up much favorable talk, and besides that many were heard to say that now they were going to save more than ever, despite the high cost of living.

The newly organized Fife and Drum Corps conducted a successful social in the recreation rooms. Much interest is being shown in this latest Company organization; and a little later, when the political campaign gets under headway, no doubt the Drum Corps will be much in demand. As the organization is non-partisan, it will not make any difference which party needs its services; it will respond.



Peter Parlee Clarke

There is pictured above one of the most widely known and highly esteemed members of our organization. Mr. Clarke was born in St. John, N. B., October 23, 1840, coming to Southbridge in 1879. Until 1883 he worked for the New England Railroad and then started in at work in the old print-works, where he served in the double capacity of paymaster and bookkeeper. In 1886 he was transferred to the finishing room and has been located there up to the present time.

As is customary, information was requested as to Mr. Clarke's ideas of living to such an age as he has attained—without showing his years, be it said—and his answer is well worth recording. Instead of the usual dissertation on avoiding liquor and tobacco always and never eating meat more than once a month, Mr. Clarke smiled his usual smile and replied, "I always figured that I wasn't good enough to go to Heaven and that the other place was too full."

As an example of honesty, loyalty, and integrity, Mr. Clarke's career may well be taken for a model by many a younger man, and it is with a feeling of being honored by association with him that we print this article.

Baseball

The baseball season opened Saturday, May 15, for the Hamilton Woolen Co., and it opened with a win. The American Optical Co. went down to defeat 7 to 8. It was a decisive victory, and only errors at critical times allowed the score to be so close.

The Hamiltonians displayed a rejuvenated form over last year's exhibitions, and, judging from the pep and spirit shown, the team bids fair to give a good account of itself. The team's showing was very promising, when it is taken into consideration that it had very little practice on account of weather and ground conditions.

Pelletier pitched a good game and kept hits pretty well scattered. C. Pleau was the star batter of the day, getting three hits with a total of four. Connors, a newcomer, showed promise of developing into a real live-wire player. Two hits, one of them a double, isn't so bad for a first showing.

Joe Brown was back in the harness and as usual put up a good game. Leduc fielded well.

The fireworks started in the first inning. Leduc walked, and with three two-baggers by Pleau, Brown, and Connors, in succession, three runs were netted. The A. O. Co. threatened to take the lead in the following innings, but was unsuccessful. The best it could do was to tie the score in the fourth, sixth, and seventh.

Our team had the necessary punch in the last frame and put across one run that was enough to win the game.

JUNE 19

Viscoloid Co. vs. American Optical Co. at Leominster.

Hamilton Woolen Co. vs. Slater Co. at Southbridge.

Norton Co. vs. Bigelow-Hartford Co. at Worcester.

Bigelow-Hartford Carpet Co., 12;  
Hamilton Woolen Co., 6

The Triangle Industrial League opened Saturday, May 29. The Hamilton Woolen played the Bigelow-Hartford Carpet Co. of Clinton on Wellsworth Field. It was a game marked with loose fielding on both sides, the Hamilton club being the worse offender. The home team scored three runs in the second inning. This seemed to give the locals a comfortable lead, but it was soon lost by ragged playing. McDonald starred at bat and in the field for Hamilton.

Norton, 11; Hamilton Woolen Co., 4

The team journeyed to Worcester Monday, May 31, to play the Norton Co. on its home grounds. The Norton Co. won 11 to 4. It was another game marked by ragged fielding by our team. The withdrawal of Pelletier from the game in the first inning was a hard blow to our team. Pelletier was accidentally hit in the throat by a batted ball and forced to retire. Connors poled out a homer in the second with one on.

JUNE 26

Slater Co. vs. American Optical Co. at Webster.

Hamilton Woolen Co. vs. Viscoloid Co. at Southbridge.

Bigelow-Hartford Co. vs. Norton Co. at Clinton.

JULY 3

American Optical Co. vs. Norton Co. at Southbridge.

Viscoloid Co. vs. Hamilton Woolen Co. at Leominster.

Slater Co. vs. Bigelow-Hartford Co. at Webster.

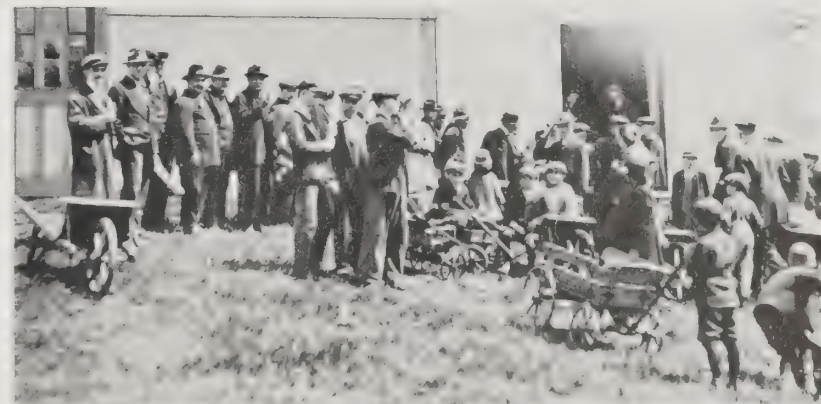
JULY 5

Hamilton Woolen Co. vs. American Optical Co. at Southbridge.

Norton Co. vs. Viscoloid Co. at Worcester.

Bigelow-Hartford Co. vs. Slater Co. at Clinton.

They're After Spuds



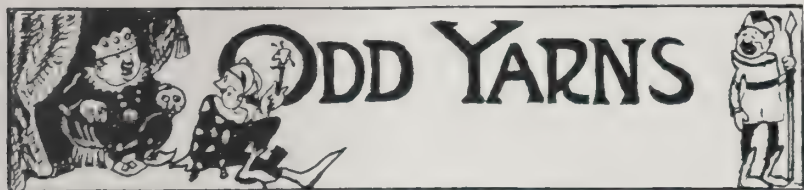
It is easy to see by the photograph that we intend to beat the high cost of living next winter. During the past two weeks 270 bushels of potatoes have been sold at cost, and 278 bags of phosphate have been furnished free to the 316 gardeners that have gardens in the different plots furnished by the Company.

Almost every conceivable conveyance was used in transporting potatoes and phosphate to homes and lots; automobiles, horse-drawn vehicles, wheelbarrows, boys' carts, and even baby-carriages were pressed into use.

The Garden Committee is very well pleased with the enthusiasm shown by our fellow workers in the garden project. The Company has been very generous in plowing and harrowing the different plots, which is no small expense, and doing various other things so that our gardens will be more of a success this year than they have been during the past three years.

Any questions or any suggestions that anyone would like to ask or make pertaining to gardens, the committee would gladly answer or follow out suggestion, if best for all concerned.





Amidee Girard of Department 8 seems to lay claim to being the champion fisherman around the plant. When "Midee" goes out, he generally comes back with a basket full of good-sized ones.

Miss Evelina Berthiaume of Department 5 was married recently to Mr. Peter Girouard of Central Falls.

Mrs. Benoit of Department 5 has moved to Springfield, where her husband has accepted a position.

Miss Mildred Vilandre of Department 5 is enjoying a trip to North Dakota, where she joined her sister, Eva Vilandre, who left in January. Mildred writes her friends that she is having a fine time.

Miss Helen Goldinger, who has worked as a sewer for Mr. Paine for over a year, left Southbridge, May 26, for her home in Forenum, Pa. Miss Goldinger owns a 20-acre farm and intends to live on it for the summer. Her mother accompanied her on her visit.

Alfred Berry, who played for Slater's ball team all last season, is now employed in spinning room No. 1. Our ball team expects big doings from Alfred.

Anna Paul, who up to Saturday, May 29, worked as a spinner, has left us to be married. She will live in Worcester.

C. W. Bates, Department 2, spent the week-end at his home in Uxbridge.

Wilfred Gagnon, who was chairman for his department, netted forty-eight new Club members in the recent drive.

T. W. Simpson, foreman in the Spinning Department, spent Saturday, Sunday, and Monday of the holidays in his home at Thompsonville, Conn.

William Peters has moved from Hamilton Street into the house recently vacated by Fred Farrow.

Miss Grace Widdowson of Department 20 has learned to drive father's Oakland and has progressed to an extent undreamed of by her indulgent parent. She drove downtown one night recently and instead of merely coming to a stop in a plain ordinary manner, she decided to show a little class and calmly drove the car up the big elm tree in front of Egan's paint shop. After going up about forty-three feet, she came to a halt and then backed down to the ground. If the young lady drives up to the Field Day, she will certainly add to the interest and excitement of the occasion.

Work on the baseball park is progressing, and it will not be long before it will be ready for use. The contractor struck a ledge toward center and left fields, and this has added to the difficulty of preparing the grounds. The steam shovel and steam drill keep busy all the time, and an immense amount of dirt and stone has been removed.

Alfred M. Plympton is able to be about, having recovered nicely from the accident he sustained. The doctor tells him that his ankle will be as strong as ever in due time.

W. R. Olney took time by the forelock in the matter of garden planting, getting most of his stuff in before the rains in May. He expects to have green peas for his Fourth of July dinner; but as to spring lamb, that will depend on the state of the market.

At a recent meeting of some of the Hamilton workers and men of the Union Congregational Church, held in the recreation rooms, a new club was organized to be called the Ucon Club, the name being a combination of the first syllables in union and congregational. The idea of such a club was conceived at a supper held by the men of the church, and it soon took definite form. W. C. Lewis was elected president and John G. Clarke secretary. The first public function of the new club will be a strawberry festival.

Who said C. Pleau wasn't popular with the ladies? Ask Pleau of his trip to Daisen-ville recently with five Janes; he'll tell you all about it.

## Vocational School Exhibit in Edwards Co. Window Attracts Much Attention



The accompanying photograph shows an exhibit of Hamilton Woolen Co. products which was displayed in one of the Edwards Co. windows from May 27 to June 1 by the Southbridge Vocational School.

The samples showed every step in the manufacture of a piece of worsted cloth, starting with the grease wool and ending with the finished cloth as it is shipped from the mill.

The object of this exhibit was to arouse interest on the part of parents and boys in the worsted manufacturing course now being offered by the school with the generous co-operation of the Hamilton Woolen Co.

This course was started January 1, 1920, when the Southbridge Vocational School came into existence and took quarters in the Town Hall. The school is of the part-time type; i. e., students attending work one week in the factory and attend school a week. Trade training is offered in worsted manufacture. The length of the course is two years. Sessions are held for fifty weeks each year. During this time students are required to work one week in some part of the mill and attend school the next week. Before graduation they will be required to complete an additional six months in the mill on full time.

Students will receive a nominal wage during the week they are in the mill. They will receive no pay for the week

A new family has joined the forces of the Hamilton Woolen Co. at the Top Mill. They are known as Mr. and Mrs. Robin, and they brought their tenement with them and have placed it on top of one of the "cut outs" outside of the card room on the brick wall of the building. It doesn't look as if they intend to pay rent, for they know that "Bert" Ryan could never climb up to get it, and the electricians are all good fellows; so it looks as if they will get by all right. Landlords are the least of their worries, and we all wish we could say as much.

All the residents of Sayles, High, and South Streets are keeping indoors these nights, as Freddy Walters has bought a motorcycle and has been trying it out in that vicinity.

If any one is looking for an entertainer for a party or show, he might call up Arthur Morin of Department 6, champion balancer and juggler. Mr. Morin can balance two chairs on his chin, a feat that any one who thinks it is easy might try; but be sure and do not swallow a leg of the chair, boys.

Richard Morrissey has been given full charge of the belt shop and will from now on act as overseer for that department.

The latter part of May, a contest was announced offering a prize of ten dollars for the best name suggested for the new girls' boarding house which was formerly the Hotel Pleasant and which is to open soon. In the neighborhood of fifty names were suggested; and from these the judges selected "Hamilton Lodge" as being their choice, although there were several others which were equally appropriate. A choice had to be made, however, and it is felt that all will be pleased with this conservative yet appropriate name. There were three who suggested this name, so the prize will be divided amongst them. The winners are: Catherine O'Hara, Department 7; Mary E. Ryan, Department 9; and John F. McNally, Department 1.

A soldier who recently spent a furlough with us is Corporal Harry Gendron, who was formerly employed at the cotton mill building in Store F. Harry enlisted May 14, last year, and has already spent 5 months overseas with the Army of Occupation. He is now stationed at Camp Dix and plays in the F Company Band.

Raymond G. Plimpton is now a member of our engineering force. Mr. Plimpton was with this Company previous to the World War, having acted as a draftsman in the Engineering Department from December, 1916, to September, 1917, when he entered the service of his country. He served 11 months overseas with the 301st Engineers and has a war record to be proud of. His many friends were glad to hear of his return to the Hamilton family.

A new floor has been laid at the Top Mill in the opener room, the old one having been worn out by the constant trucking over it.

The tennis courts were opened recently, and those who played on them report that they are in fine condition. The nets are always up from now on, the tapes are laid, the courts properly rolled, and all that remains to be done is to turn out evenings and enjoy a little tennis. It is the desire of the Tennis Committee to get up a tennis team to represent the Company in matches with other industrial teams, such as the Norton Co., the American Optical Co., and other members of the Triangle Baseball League. Mr. Watson has an up-to-date tennis rule book and guide which he will gladly loan to anyone who wishes to be up on the rules. Take advantage of these fine courts the Company is furnishing for us, if you care for tennis.

John Pollard of the Drawing Department was the first man to get his potatoes in on the Ten-Acre Lot. He has had his potatoes planted first every year so far and thinks that it pays to get them in early.

Probably the final bowling match of the season was rolled on the Pastime alleys recently, when a team led by Billy Bates defeated the strong Sandersdale five led by Charlie Campbell. Billy Bates's team was greatly strengthened by the presence of Joe Dumas, who cheered vociferously and who kidded his old bowling partner, Charlie Campbell, just enough to give us the match.

Soharschmidt, 91, 80, 82, 253; Bates, 96, 93, 77, 266; Marchessault, 82, 68, 82, 232; Laughane, 89, 79, 84, 252; Walsh, 72, 88, 90, 250; Tansey, 66, 85, 80, 231; Gregory, 87, 72, 81, 240; Campbell, 92, 83, 80, 255; Rossie, 77, 74, 82, 233; Butterworth, 93, 93, 92, 278.

spent in school. It is expected that during the two years students will spend an average of four months in each of the following departments: carding, combing, drawing, spinning, twisting, weaving.

During the period the pupil is in a department, he will have an opportunity to become familiar with all the machinery employed, methods of operation, upkeep, repair, setting, etc.

During the school week, instruction is given in worsteds, mechanical drawing, general mathematics, mill calculations, science, English, and civics. The major portion of the time is devoted to work closely related to that being followed in the mill. This work includes a study of each mill process and all of the machinery involved.

The combination of mill experience and school instruction which may be obtained in a school of this type provides an avenue whereby boys may obtain a training in the principles of a useful trade and at the same time have an opportunity to continue their education.

The school is open to all applicants between the ages of fourteen and twenty-five who have satisfactorily completed the sixth grade in the elementary schools or its equivalent. Many of the boys enrolled have attended high school for one year. In general, candidates will be accepted in the order in which they apply. Boys desirous of enrolling should apply at the director's office in the Town Hall.



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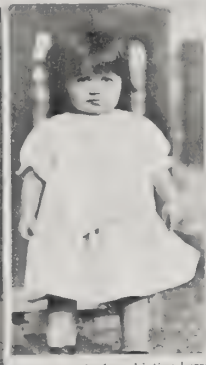
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**WHAT A BABY COSTS**  
BY EDGAR A. GUEST

"How much do babies cost?" said he  
The other night upon my knee;  
And then I said: "They cost a lot;  
A lot of watching by the cot,  
A lot of sleepless hours and care,  
A lot of heart-ache and despair,  
A lot of fear and trying dread,  
And sometimes many tears are shed  
In payment for our babies small,  
But every one is worth it all.

"For babies people have to pay  
A heavy price from day to day—  
There is no way to get one cheap.  
Why, sometimes when they're fast asleep  
You have to get up in the night  
And go and see if they're all right,  
But what they cost in constant care  
And worry does not half compare  
With what they bring of joy and bliss—  
You'd pay much more for just a kiss.

"Who buys a baby has to pay  
A portion of the bill each day;  
He has to give his time and thought  
Unto the little one he's bought,  
He has to stand a lot of pain  
Inside his heart and not complain;  
And pay with lonely days and sad  
For all the happy hours he's had.  
All this a baby costs, and yet  
His smile is worth it all, you bet."

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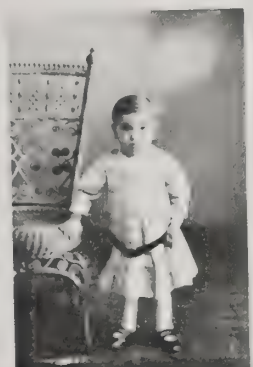
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It was on one of those rare days in June, when all the world was calm, that a decision was made to cool the yard and the building.

A very good plan was suggested, which was no more nor less than cooling the place by means of water.

The next thing to decide was, what would be used to carry the water to the building and the yard.

That was quickly determined. An immense fire hose was attached to a hydrant, and the water was turned on.

Our men, captained by Mr. Nugent, had almost succeeded in cooling the yard, when the pressure of the water pulled the hose out of their hands, knocked down some of our strong men, scattered others to the winds, while the captain thought he had been struck by a cyclone.

But the company rallied under the leadership of Captain Nugent with his "broken leg," as he says, and directed the hose against the building. The hose was very stubborn, but its stubbornness was overcome by the gallant fighters.

The result of the cooling process—an injured limb for Captain Nugent, a water-soaked Mr. Mulcahy, and a mud-and-water-covered Mr. Beck.

Outside of these casualties, the cooling process was a success.

The Grounds Committee is very busy letting out concessions for the Field Day, August 7, and from present indications we will have a larger Midway than ever. As we are not giving out exclusive rights to any one person or company, it would be well for those who are looking for concessions to get in their applications as early as possible, so that the committee can place them all. No money games will be given concessions, but all games that conform to the law will be welcome. We are also trying to land a few side shows, as we know the boys like to look them over, and of course we want to please everyone. The committee is in hopes of getting some of the shows traveling with Ringling's circus, which was in Worcester lately, but has not had a definite reply as yet.

## Introducing the Riverside Foremen



Mr. Nadeau, who finds his way twisting and winding, always makes time for a pleasant smile and encouraging word for everyone.

Mr. Mulcahy, who finds his way through shafts and gears, is always ready to give his good advice to those who seek it. Tom has given some pretty good advice; Mr. Nadeau can vouch for that.

Mr. Metcalfe does some spinning at Riverside and in fact may be seen "spinning" anywhere in his new Maxwell. It makes no difference how fast he spins, all his spinners will stay with him.

Last but not least, is our faithful Mr. Beck, who may be found among the drawings quietly adjusting some machine or solving some difficult problem.

With a combination like this you can readily understand why Riverside is such a happy place.

Miss Marjorie L. Bean was a guest at the wedding of her cousin in Fall River on June 30.

Miss Mary Casey, our telephone operator, is already installed at Alum Pond for the summer. She is planning to go back and forth every day, getting in a longer vacation than most of us.

Mrs. E. C. Brennan spent a very pleasant week in Brighton, Mass., a short while ago.

Miss Agatha Kelly of the Cost Department passed a most delightful vacation enjoying the sea breezes at Nantasket Beach.

Mr. Frank Darling of the Cost Department will spend his vacation in Boston, Gloucester, Hampton Beach, and Providence, making these places on his new bicycle.

Mr. J. Wallace MacLean, overseer of Departments 3 and 5, and family, attended Miss Grace Common's wedding Monday, June 21, at her home in Lowell, Mass. Miss Common is a cousin of Mrs. MacLean.

Robert Kershaw has been very busy these wet nights with his lantern on the lawn, hunting for "night crawlers," as "Bob" says. "That is the easy way of getting bait," and it is not so hard on the back as using a spade is. We ought to get a good fish story from "Bob" for our next issue, as he knows both how and where to get them.

After an absence of five years and five months, Clarence Walters, son of Monroe Walters, returned home from the Philippine Islands. He also spent two years at Camp Scott, Cal.

Mrs. Malvina (Carrigan) Allard, widow of the late Joseph Allard and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Julian Carrigan of Labelle, P. Q., and Noe Tremblay, son of Mrs. Augustus Tremblay of Central Street, were married recently at 6.30 in Notre Dame church. Rev. Philibert Therrien performed the ceremony and celebrated the nuptial mass that followed. The couple were attended by Eli Allard, brother-in-law of the bride, and Joseph Tremblay, a brother of the groom. The bride wore a white silk dress trimmed with hand-made lace and wore a hat to match, carrying a bridal bouquet of pink roses. She was employed as a weaver, and the groom is a weighing clerk in the wool room.

The couple received many beautiful wedding gifts. A reception followed at the home of the groom's brother, Hector Tremblay, at 14 Cross Street. They left for a week's honeymoon trip, which was spent in Springfield, Montreal, and Labelle, P. Q. They now reside at 17 Cross Street.

Benjamin Whitehead went to Fitchburg to install the officers in the Order of St. George, June 11.

Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey Oddy spent the week of June 12 in New York and New Jersey, visiting their daughter, and while there met their son, the leader of the orchestra on the "Imperator," whom they had not seen for 13 years. They spent three hours visiting the boat and say it was a beautiful sight. They also visited Newark, Paterson, and Jersey City.

F. C. Hanson and family visited in Providence lately, making the trip in their auto.

The latest "dope" on getting rid of bugs in the gardens is to get a can of red pepper and sprinkle the pepper around the plants. When the bugs smell the pepper, they stand up on their hind legs and sneeze so hard that they finally burst apart; consequently, in a very short time there will be no more bugs in sight. As this is a very easy method of exterminating the bugs and as our informant, Mr. Kermack, says it never fails to bring results, it would be a good plan to have our gardeners give it a trial.

Miss Grace Cameron of Department 1 and her chum went to Worcester the other day to do some shopping—that is, to purchase bathing suits. The height of the buildings took all their attention, and the bathing suits were forgotten until the stores were closed. You can imagine how sad they were, for in one of the show windows were just the suits they intended to buy. One of these was a green with white trimming and the other one a turkey red with grey trimming. So you can see how the beach loungers were set back when they did not get them. They finally bought a bag of peanuts and called it a day, but we are all hoping they will take another trip and buy the suits before they go sightseeing.

John Rowley has been transferred from Department 1 to Department 2.

Joseph Quevillon has returned to work in Department 1 after an absence of three weeks with an injured finger.

John Lapenta was called to Boston June 14, owing to a serious illness in his sister's family.

Guy Lapenta spent the week end of June 19 in Framingham, visiting relatives. We understand there is a little "dark-eyed girl" down there, also, that Guy likes to see when he makes those trips. How about it, Guy?

We were informed the other day of a certain Department 1 gardener who left the beans he was to plant in a cupboard in his house and he next night took them out and planted them, or at least he thought he did; but when he came back home, his wife asked him where her liver pills were that she left in the cupboard.

Steve Joe must be thinking of getting married, as we understand he invested in an alarm clock the other night down at the auction; and an alarm clock is a forerunner of wedding bells.

John Casey must either have a girl or intend to go into the jewelry business, as John collected quite a lot of jewelry at the auction at Wald & Dowd's the other night. The auctioneer gave John some great bargains, as he said he was young himself once and he wanted John to make a hit with her.

Beatrice and Lorraine Brodeur of Springfield spent the Fourth of July at the home of Antoinette Proulx of Department 5.

Mrs. King, Mrs. Sabin, and the Misses Mary E. and Winifred King, Nellie May, and Annie Ryan motored to Hartford recently.

Miss Eva Vilandre has returned from North Dakota and is working for Mr. J. W. MacLean in Department 5.

Who ever heard of a "jumping spider"? Well, if you want to know how they look and jump, you should ask a certain foreman in the Top Mill, as he can tell you; but from the road it looked like a grasshopper.

Mr. Buckingham has moved into the tenement vacated by Miss Mason in Ballard Court.

Alfred Berry has been transferred from Department 2 to Department 1 card room.

Mrs. Sarah Feola and Miss Catherine Feola of Department 4 enjoyed a pleasure trip at Revere Beach in their new auto.

Flore Lepain, employed in Department 4 office, has enjoyed a week's vacation in New Hampshire.

Laura McDonald passed the Fourth of July at Riverside, Springfield.

Austin Chadwick and family went to Auburn, R. I., where their youngest child underwent an operation for adenoids.

Fred Walters thinks it is more safe and economical to ride a large mud turtle than his motorcycle.





## A Big Party

If Elliott M. Clemence is as clever at naming the winners of the various events at the Hamilton Field Day on August 7 as he is in selecting presidential candidates, some of the athletes would do well to consult him, as he has proven beyond a doubt that he is a real human Ouija board.

It all happened one noon when a group of the boys were chatting just before the whistle sounded. Their conversation naturally turned to the Republican convention at Chicago, where the party's ship of state was battling against the waves of contention on the shores of Lake Michigan. Johnson, Wood, and Lowden were, of course, the favorites, with some of the boys declaring that Coolidge of the Bay State would come through a winner.

Elliott continued to smoke his pipe in silence until, just as the whistle blew, he was heard to utter the prophetic words, "Harding of Ohio is the real dark horse and will cross the line a winner."

This announcement brought Elliott a shower of groans as thick as errors at a Triangle League baseball game; but he was unmoved and so confident in his prediction that he agreed to give the boys a supper in honor of Harding, should he prove the winner, and there the matter rested for several days.

Soon afterward, Harding was nominated, and Elliott bade his friends partake of the promised supper at his home on Thursday, June 17. Somebody slipped a cog in the automobile transportation arrangements, and the party was suddenly transformed into a walking club whose membership included Raymond Plimpton, Raymond Goodell, James Christensen, Charles Matthews, Andre Paulhus, James McKinstry, and, last but by no means least, Bert Ryan, who now declares that he is in prime condition for the skeleton race at the Field Day.

Upon their arrival, the party found awaiting them a supper of the quality for which Clemence Hill has long been famous, the menu including tenderloin steak, French fried potatoes, real ripe tomatoes, and other things equally tempting; and it is safe to say that they showed far more ability in putting things out of sight than they had manifested in their choice of a candidate.

On Saturday, June 26, Miss Esther Samuelson left the office where she had been working for the past six years to enter a very propitious position with the Parker Wire Goods Co. of Worcester. Miss Samuelson was held in high esteem by all who know her, and it was with the best of wishes for her future success and happiness that we reluctantly bade her farewell. She was presented just before leaving with a gold fountain-pen and pencil from some of her associate workers, Mr. Knowles making the presentation speech.

Miss Catherine G. Phalen of the main office spent the recent holidays at the home of her father in Norwich, Conn., while there visiting the nearby beaches.

We are much pleased to have with us several students from the Lowell Textile School, who will remain during the summer months and return to their studies in September. The following are the young men now here:

Raymond Beaven—class of 1922—located in Department 1. Enlisted in service of Signal Corps at Boston. Discharged January, 1919. Will play with H. W. Co. ball team as catcher.

Walter Douglas—class of 1922—located in Spinning Department. Saw 18 months' foreign service in the 26th Division. Is a tennis enthusiast.

George H. Johnson—graduate class of 1920—degree in textile chemistry. Now in dyehouse and expects to remain for some time. Member of Battery F, 26th Division; 18 months in France.

Young Chi Wang—class of 1922—came to this country in 1918 at the instance of his government to obtain a complete course in textiles. Located in Department 1. Interested in tennis and basketball.

Edward F. Murphy—class of 1923—has a very fine service record. Enlisted March, 1917; arrived in France the following September. Received D. S. cross, Croix de Guerre, and Italian "Merito de Guerre," in addition to two divisional citations and recommended for Congressional medal of honor. Wounded twice and spent 7 months in hospital. In spite of all this, he is able to pitch baseball, and the fans are anxiously awaiting his advent into the box. He is located in Department 2.

The Electrical Department has been making tests all through the mill the past month, to determine the amount of light which floods stairways and halls. The tests are made with a device which records the foot candle-power of the light, a foot candle-power being the amount of light given by one candle at a distance of one foot.

A water-level gauge has been installed recently in the engineering office. The instrument is connected by electricity to an apparatus which is submerged in Big Pond and which records on a dial in the engineering office the level at which the water stands.

Mr. Lot Northrop, who was recently second hand in No. 2 spinning room, moved his family to Greystone, R. I., last Friday.

Walter S. Douglas and Edward F. Murphy, both students at Lowell Textile School, are employed in Department 2 for the summer months.

Owing to ill health, William Congdon has left the Company.

Wilfred Gagnon spent his time over the Fourth in Lowell, his home town.

We have with us once more in the drawing room Peter Thomas and John Costa, who have just returned from Albania, in which country they spent the last six months.

Charles W. Bates, foreman in No. 3 spinning room, has been entertaining his two brothers from Lowell. This is some burg, they say.



This picture of David Brown is the first one he has ever had taken; and when he posed for it, he admitted that he was undergoing a new experience. David first went to work for the Company so many years ago that he does not care to say just when; but he has a lively recollection of the old "Blue" mill days, said mill having stood at the upper end of the "print works" yard. Later he went into the black card room of mixed memories, where so many old employees were initiated into the mysteries of dyed-wool manufacture. In his younger days David was a great baseball fan and still likes to sit on the bleachers and root for the boys. He takes great interest in the fine baseball park now nearing completion "up to the orchard." Mr. Brown now holds down a job in Department 5.

## Big League Baseball



Here we have the latest in Hamilton activities—namely, the girls' baseball team. The team was organized by the very energetic and live president of the Hamilton Pals, Miss Albee. The girls have been out for practice and certainly show some stuff. Behind the bat, Irene Salva holds sway, also the ball, be it thrown or batted. Josie Dumas is first-string pitcher; Josie has something on the ball all the time and fields her position like a veteran. Laura Albee is captain and plays first base; Miss Albee resembles Charlie Edmonds, the old Southbridge first baseman, in some ways. At second we have Madeline Bird; Madeline played 3 years with the Globe Playground team and can give a good account of herself

in the field and with the stick. Shortstop is well taken care of by Elsie Leno, formerly of the Warren High girls' team. Bess Hogan holds down the hot corner in fine style; Bess can go pitch also, if necessary. Jennie Lofgren covers left field; Lil Paradis, center. Miss Paradis played ball last season with a star aggregation of female ball tossers up in the Granite State. Right field is well taken care of by Dora Ferron and Celia Fallon; Dora is a port sider, and Celia throws with the right.

The girls expect a challenge from the A. O. Co. girls soon, and the game when played will be well worth watching. Miss Albee would like to hear from any of the girls that have played ball and have not come out for the team.

Canada must be an attractive place. From Department 2 alone there are five girls spending from four to eight weeks there, their names being Emma Masse, Victoria Boudreau, Valida Cournoyer, Maria Mandeville, and Louise Savaria.

Mr. and Mrs. Arstide Martin of Department 6 have left for a month's vacation in Detroit. They are to visit their son Alfred Martin, who holds an important position in an automobile factory there.

Joseph Martin of Department 6 has eleven White Leghorn chicks from eleven eggs. Some record, we'll say. How about it, you other fanciers?

Frank Wagner has accepted a position as loomfixer in Department 6. He is a former ex-service man, having served nine months as a sailor on different ships.

Paul Ledoux, formerly of the R. Robins clothing store, has accepted a position as a weaver in Department 6.

Much interest in fishing is being shown in Department 6 lately. Alex L'Heureux went trout fishing recently and came home with a nice string of eight, the largest measuring 10½ inches and the rest not less than 9.

Joseph Morin of Department 6 recently returned from St. Gude, Canada, where he renewed acquaintances.

A nice string of 46 perch and pouts was caught by Joseph Gauthier and Traveni of Department 6 at Big Alum Pond recently.

Mr. and Mrs. George Patenaude of Department 6 recently spent the week-end in Webster.

A. N. Badger and party motored over the "Trail" the Fourth and report a very enjoyable time.

George Simpson, overseer of Department 15, and A. Simpson, wives, and families returned last week from a visit to Greenfield and North Adams.



## Associate Editor Resigns



Alan J. Buckley, assistant purchasing agent, has resigned to accept the position of chief accountant in the New York office of the Fred T. Ley Co., one of the largest contracting concerns in the country. Mr. Buckley entered the employ of the Company before the war. When this country declared war with Germany, he was among the first to enlist, going overseas a few months after and remaining until after the armistice was signed. He was attached to a tank corps and saw much service in that branch of the army.

Returning to Southbridge, he resumed work for the Company. During his residence here he made many warm friends, being popular with his fellow workers and esteemed highly by all who came to know him. Mr. Buckley's efficiency assures his success in his new field, and certainly everyone here unites in wishing it to be so.

The Misses Evelyn Proulx and Josephine Dumas of Department 9 motored to Worcester recently and while there took in the circus. Both young ladies enjoyed the circus very much.

Evelyn and Nolia Proulx are spending a two weeks' vacation at their brother's cottage at Ocean Grove.

Miss Dorilla Pelletier of the Finishing Department is spending the month of July with relatives in Canada.

Eugene Lange, Department 9, returned to work last week after an absence of two weeks. Gene sprained his back in baseball practice, but says he is O. K. now.

Nellie Brennan of the Finishing Department, champion bowler of Hamilton Bowling League, is learning to drive her father's new Chevrolet touring car, and any night but Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday she can be seen in the Sturbridge or Saundersdale road with one of her brothers as tutor. Nellie expects an operator's license in a few days, and then look out for her.

Mr. Elwyn H. Durgin and family spent the holidays at Norwich, Conn., and Watch Hill, R. I., making the trip in his Ree touring car. Mr. Durgin reports having a splendid time.

When it comes to gardening, very few people have anything on Martin Dodd of Department 9. Mart expects to harvest 100 bushels of potatoes next fall.

Mrs. Mary Collins, Department 9, is enjoying a month's vacation in Pennsylvania, her home state.

Ernest Hampson, assistant pin setter at the Top Mill, who was once known to his friends as "Babe Ruth," has, since he recently turned his attention to dancing, been known as "Verny," this nickname becoming his because some think he will develop into a second Vernon Castle.

Miss May Cudy of the office force is enjoying a two weeks' vacation from her duties. She left July 3 for Brookline, Mass., where she is spending her vacation with relatives.

Well, talk about gardeners, Mr. Sickman of the Planning Board has got them all beat; at least he has up until the time of harvest. It seems that Mr. Sickman had a bag of cement in his cellar and also a bag of fertilizer. Well, the bag of fertilizer is still there, while the bag of cement is carefully sprinkled over the length and breadth of Mr. Sickman's garden. He's going after his potatoes with a steam drill this fall.

Jack Brogan, Jack Hampson, and Jack Ryan (three Jacks and a pair of deuces) went to Worcester a while back to take in Ringling Bros. circus. Reports are incomplete, but, judging from the crowd, there must have been a good time.

Men who recently took the examination for professional chauffeur from the plant are Clarence Morse, Raoul Thebault, and Bert Ryan. We haven't heard up to the time of going to press whether Thebault got by or not; according to his account, he did some fancy driving for the examiner.

The transformers which take care of the electricity for the spinning-room motors have been enlarged, and there will be a few changes in the motors for the spinning rooms, due to their being overloaded at the present time.

The Company has started burning wood again, in order to conserve coal to be used the coming winter. It is the plan at present to burn wood until such time as the coal situation becomes less acute and thus save the coal which we have been fortunate enough to secure recently. There is no telling how long we will have to make the present supply last. About forty carloads were dumped in the coal yard recently, but this amount was obtained only by tireless effort and on a promise that the cars be unloaded within 24 hours after their arrival. This amount of coal would only last the plant a short while under ordinary circumstances and is not to be compared with the steady stream of coal cars which in ordinary times keep our plant going.

The house occupied by Mr. Wilcox, chief of the Cost Department, has recently been improved by the addition of a piazza.

At the Lower Mill the Company has improved the fire-protection apparatus by the addition of two new hose houses. This will make the distribution of the hose around the plant very complete, so that a hose line may be laid, in case of fire, to any point.

We always see Tracy waiting at the door with a bouquet of pansies. Who's your friend?

Luck favored a certain fellow from Department 2 this month, when he won a cushion. Did you take it right home, Fred?

I wonder if a certain fellow from Department 16 has had any cherries since a few Sundays ago. They seem to make him sick. Tell us about it, Albert, so we can laugh too.

Josephine Dumas has accepted a swift job as pitcher on the girls' baseball team. That's luck for the girls.

Catch basins have been installed near the weave-room tunnel and at the Top Mill to catch the water which at times, when it rains hard, floods the floors. A recent heavy shower which flooded the lower floor of the weave room and the basement of the Top Mill was so heavy that 8-10 of an inch fell within a half hour.

A new man at the Engineering Department is Kenneth W. Crossman. He is a graduate of Worcester Tech and an expert draftsman.

A circular steel stairway has been installed in the new crab room, which leads up to the singeing room.

The roof on parts of the dyehouse has recently been gone over by the Engineering Department and the carpenters. It was found that in several places the roofing beams were very badly rotted, due to the continual influence of steam and fumes from the dye kettles. Braces and new planking were put in, and the line shafting was re-enforced.

We must admit that the machinists and belt men sometimes have a hard time of it. Recently a shaft broke on generator No. 5, which was 6 inches in diameter and which was connected with the pulley of the water wheel. The generator had to be repaired and running for Monday morning, or there would have been a good many out of work on Monday. Consequently, a crew of machinists and belt men worked all day Saturday, all Saturday night, and all day Sunday, so that the new shaft would be in and running Monday morning. Jobs of this kind come up frequently to keep Nap and assistants up late nights. The belt-shop men not long ago took up the 36-inch belt on generator No. 8, which was a job which kept them up all Saturday night.

It's a funny thing how small this world seems sometimes. At least, that is what A. McDonald of the weave room thinks. He told "The Hamiltonian" reporter the other day that, as he and some of his friends were spending part of a week-end in and around Quinebaug, Conn., they became acquainted with a party of young ladies who are employed in the Worcester branch of the Hamilton Woolen Co. The young ladies, it seems, were on their way to Webster when they were overtaken by the aggregation from Southbridge, who, of course, were traveling at a higher rate of speed.

Mrs. May Whiteoak, who has been employed in the mending room of Department 7, recently resigned her position to give all her attention to her housework.

Henry Laponece, who for a while was second hand in spinning room No. 1, visited friends in town recently. He is now in Pawtucket. His wife accompanied him on his visit to Southbridge.

A new member of the Belt Department force is Joseph Godreau, who has taken the place of Joseph Morrissey, who has been transferred from the belt shop to the weave room. Mr. Godreau is an expert with the violin, having played in prominent orchestras for the past nine years.

A new roller-covering machine has been added to the equipment of the belt shop to take care of the extra work which has been coming in of late.

The belt-shop boys say they are waiting to hear from Paul Schartschmidt's dyehouse bowlers on that steak supper that they claim is coming to them by reason of their having taken a fall out of the dyehouse crowd in a bowling match a few months back.

Miss Clara A. White of Department 7 spent the week-end at "Sky Farm" Charlton, Mass.

Miss Margaret Knirye has accepted a position in the burling room.

Mrs. Arthur Benson has returned to her work after a long illness.

Miss Bridget Ryan spent the week-end in Worcester not long ago.

Miss Catherine Cuddihy has been absent from her work on account of the death of her sister, Mrs. Oliver Lavallee, in Brighton, Mass.

Mr. George Wood put his boat into the water at Cedar Pond recently. George wants to see an Evenrude race at the Field Day, as he thinks he has got a good chance of winning with his speed boat.

Great interest is being manifested in the 2-mile bicycle race at the coming Field Day, August 7. Frank Darling of the Cost Department has recently purchased a new wheel and is reeling off 10 to 12 miles daily preparatory to the 2-mile race, for which he has entered. The other noon Frank did the distance from his home on lower Everett Street to the office in 7 minutes. Now watch out for Frank in this 2-mile race.

J. H. Wilcock, George Watson, and Raymond Fayreau motored to Wells Beach, Me., last Saturday, returning Monday morning. They all report an enjoyable trip.

Stanley Harwood of the Designing Department went over the Mohawk Trail Saturday and spent the Fourth in Keene, N. H.

Walter Kreimendahl of the Planning Department has just returned from a very pleasant vacation spent in northern Vermont.

Miss Vera Morin of the Planning Department spent her vacation in Providence, R. I., and reported a very enjoyable time.

Mr. Arthur Dolton spent the Fourth at Riverside, R. I. His wife and little daughter will remain there for five weeks.

Miss Jeanette Puge has resigned her position in the Cost Department.

Bowling is not dead yet. They say Bill Kernack is in fine trim and claims the Top Mill will give all the departments a run for first place next winter.

Have you heard about the garden Dolton and Darling of the Cost Department have on Sayles Street? While working in it the other night they found they not only raised spuds and corn, but also snakes. They killed one 4 feet long. They are sure it was a real snake, as it is now a dry country.



Arthur Bachand, who for a long time worked in the Outside Department and later in the belt shop, is now taking orders from Uncle Sam. About two months ago he enlisted in the army and was sent to Camp Devens, where he has been stationed since. He is a member of the band, being a first-class bugler.

His many friends will be glad to see Arthur's picture in his uniform, as he was very popular with the boys—to say nothing of the ladies.



# Third Annual Hamilton Field Day

## Saturday, August 7, The Big Day



### Do You Remember This Band?

The plans for Field Day are rapidly assuming definite shape. The lists of athletic events have been posted throughout the mill, and the entries have started flowing in. Some of the swimming races have been left on the list, with the understanding that, if enough interest does not develop, they will be canceled. A shot-put and a three-legged race have been added, and from time to time various new contests will be entered on the posted notices. Mr. Varnum is looking after the horse racing and has interviewed some of the leading horsemen of Worcester County, most of whom have expressed their interest and their intentions of making one or more entries. With the local talent showing against the newcomers, there should be racing as hotly contested as any ever seen on the Fair Grounds.

Interest in the tug-of-war event is already reaching a high temperature. The most spirited discussions have been on the subject of weight—that is to say, whether or not a team shall be limited to, say, a ton in weight. Some of the little fellows say that they can walk away with half again their own weight, but they can't carry off a team that weighs three thousand pounds. Their spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak.

Richard Yates is putting his usual energy into the arrangements for the grounds. Applications for space have been received from a great many outsiders, as well as a number of our own employees, so that the outlook for a large and better Midway is very bright. Our two prominent financiers, Messrs. Favreau and Brogan, are planning to sell chances on dolls, blankets, chocolates, and wild turkeys.

These rising sons of industry, Casy and Blute of the Top Mill, are to sell chocolates which they guarantee to excel in quality anything hitherto seen in this vicinity. There are a great many more stands spoken for by the local boys; and a balloon man and a tin-type artist have applied for permits, while Henry Leno has sweet cider to dispense. The committee feels that no exclusive rights should be granted to any outside interests that would bar out our fellow-townsmen from selling on the grounds and will act accordingly.

Miss Mason having resigned from the Company, Miss Angers was appointed to take her place as chairman of the Welfare Committee and has started in with her usual energy.

The transportation is, as usual, in charge of Herbert F. Ryan, which guarantees that this important work will be carried as satisfactorily and efficiently as before.

Mr. Christenson has taken the place of Mr. Watson on the Entertainment Committee, and several new and interesting features have been arranged for. Miss Childs will sing again for us, as she did last year.

Mr. Sickman and Mr. Kriemendahl have secured the 104th Band again, both to furnish music at the grounds and at the dance that night. The dance this year will be held in the Hippodrome, the Town Hall having proved too small last year.

Arrangements for moving pictures have not yet been completed. The expense in this line has increased so greatly that it is a question whether the required expenditure would be justified by the amount of finished film we would receive.

Lists to date of the athletic events and partial list of committees follow:

#### ATHLETIC EVENTS—FIELD DAY— AUGUST 7, 1920

NO.	NAME OF EVENT
1.	Potato race—"Ladies."
2.	Bicycle race, ½ mile, boys up to 16.
3.	Ball-throwing contest—"Ladies."
4.	25-yard swimming race—"Ladies."
5.	100-yard swimming race—"Men."
6.	Hop, step, and jump.
7.	First heat of horse race.
8.	Shot-put.
9.	Egg race—"Ladies."
10.	Running broad jump.
11.	100-yard dash—"Men."
12.	Tug-of-war—"Ladies."
13.	Second heat of horse race.
14.	220-yard run.
15.	Bicycle race, ½ mile—"Men."
16.	½-mile relay race—"Departments."
17.	100-yard dash—"Ladies."
18.	Third heat of horse race.
19.	120-yard hurdles.
20.	Tug-of-war—"Departments."
21.	Three-legged race.
22.	½-mile run.
23.	Pipe race.
24.	½-mile walking race, heel and toe.
25.	440-yard obstacle race.
26.	High jump.
27.	Special, 150-yard married men's race, handicap (30 years up).

ATHLETIC COMMITTEE—A. F. Simpson, chairman; sub-chairmen: J. N. Shutts, Riverside; Benj. Whitehead, prizes; Laura Albee; R. Kershaw, supplies.

ATHLETICS—J. Walsh, R. Lusignan, A. Dumas, H. Robidoux, R. Morrissey, Jos. Brown, A. Paulhus, F. McKinstry, H. Wright, J. Buckley, E. Ravenelle, J. Mallison, D. Simpson, F. Farrow, Hugh Kane, J. Fallon, E. Fierro, G. Gaetjans, C. Perkins, W. Dennison, F. Greenwood, H. Knowles, E. Kapierouski, A. Berthiaume, H. Boucher, J. Splaine.

PRIZES—W. Bates, G. Patenaude, E. Gregory, N. Brennan, E. Freeman, H. Widdowson.

SUPPLIES—B. Whitehead, P. Allard, E. Gregory, H. Blute, J. Lachapelle, R. Yates, A. Emmett, E. DesMarais, R. Hammond, H. Gaumont, Wm. Hefner, E. Boucher, E. Hampson.

GROUNDS COMMITTEE—Richard Yates, chairman; J. F. McNally, Wm. Firth, Steve Joe, C. F. Farrow, Wm. Walters, John Farquhar, J. W. Swift, Wm. Kermack, Percy Whiteoak, W. Wulfin Grant, David Yates, Joseph Firth, Emanuel Daigle, Arthur Whiteoak, Harry Mason, Ernest Barnes.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE—Herbert F. Ryan, chairman; Raoul Thibeault, Raymond Goodell, James Curley, Adelbert Badger, John Pollard, William R. Olney, Basile Proulx, John E. Ryan, Napoleon Collette, Frank Duteau, Joseph Comeau, Herman Thibeault, Roy Rheaume, Benj. Whitehead, John Marchessault, Stanley Steplenski, Wilfred Pelletier, William Bates (Department 2), Charles Simpson (Department 2), John Brennan (Department 5), George Patenaude, Stanley Harwood, William Proulx, Edward St. Onge, John Brieze, Thomas Brennan, William Dennison, Angelo Masi, Nelson Garceau, Henry LeBeouf, Adam Prantkielewicz, Charles Thibeault.

WELFARE COMMITTEE—Miss Lilian Angers, chairman; Dr. Webster, John Carney, C. H. Mathews, Alberta Poulin, Mrs. Geary, Rose Masse, Cecelia Fallon, Claudia Supremaunt, Mary Ryan, Dr. Simpson, J. H. Wilcock, H. Cavanaugh, Irene Salva, Mrs. Perry, Grace St. Onge, Bessie Mountain, May Cuddihy, Blanche Collette, Wm. Lavallee, E. Birdsall, W. Shirmanski, A. Touzylouska, Ada White, Josephine Bill, Valeda Dufault.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE—George S. Rich, chairman; W. Wulfin Grant, Wilfred Gagnon, John Walsh, John Rowley, Jos. Brown.

MUSIC COMMITTEE—A. F. Sickman, Jr., W. Kriemendahl.

DANCE COMMITTEE—A. F. Sickman, Jr., chairman; Joseph Brown, G. Templeman, Alfred Dumas, C. Phalen, Josephine Dumas.



### Miss Childs who will be on the program again this year

#### Prizes For Vocational Students

Two prizes have been offered by the Hamilton Woolen Co., through Mr. Armstrong, to students of the Southbridge Vocational School taking the course in worsted manufacture. These prizes are to be awarded about January 1, 1921, to the two students having the best record for the year.

Boys take this course of work in some department of the mill every other week and attend the school the week they are not working. One of these prizes will be awarded to the boy who, in the judgment of the overseers of departments where boys have been employed, has displayed the most interest and done the best work. The other prize will go to the boy having the best record in the school for the year.

The exact nature of these prizes will be announced later.

Francis Splaine of Department 8 and Miss Dora Ruell of Fiskdale were married in that town Monday. They have the heartiest wishes of all for a happy life.

Peter Derbyshire has resumed work in the dry room after being out three months with rheumatism.

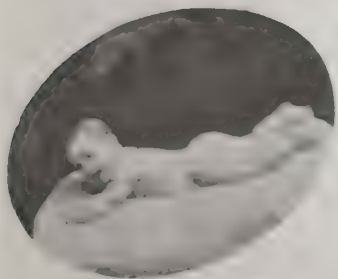
Edward Paulhus has re-entered the employ of the Company, working at his old job in the crab room.

Peter Leduc of the singe room was out sick for a week.

George Johnson of the Lowell Textile School has joined the forces of the Dyeing Department for the summer months.

Paul Potvin is not known to play the Ouija board; but Paul claims that something told him that, if he attended the Viscoloid-Hamilton baseball game, the Hamiltons would win. Of course, everyone knows they did, and this little write-up will let you know that Paul witnessed the game. Don't miss any more games, Paul.





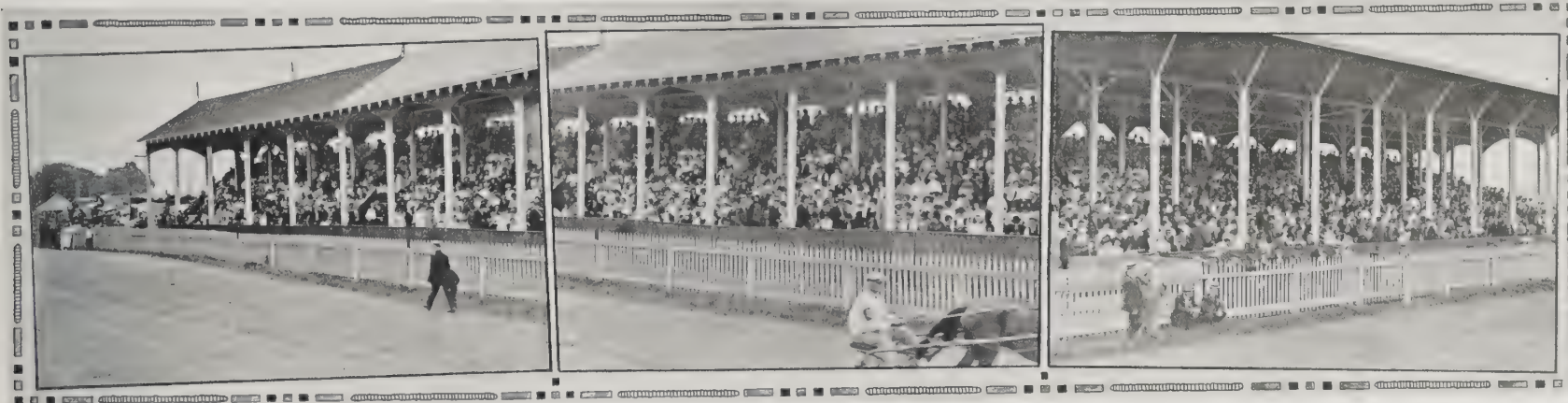


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## OUR 1920 FIELD DAY WAS THE BIGGEST AND BEST YET

### More than 6000 Crowded the Grandstand and the Grounds at the Annual Hamilton Good Time

Rather than print a lengthy account of Field Day "The Hamiltonian" will devote its space to pictures and the results of the races, which we judge will be the most interesting to the readers, as all good Hamiltonians and their friends must have been there to join in the fun and need no printed account to tell them it was a great success and that everyone heartily enjoyed themselves.

The results of the various athletic events follow:

Potato race for ladies—Won by Mary F. Ryan, prize, umbrella; Mary Yates, prize, bar pin, second; Agnella Garreau, prize, friendship pin, third.

Ball-throwing contest for ladies—Won

by Josephine Dumas, prize, locket and ribbon; Bessie Hogan, prize, tennis shoes, second; May Donahue, third.

100-yard swimming race for men—Won by Henry Robidoux, prize, bathing suit; John Rowley, prize, belt, second; Earl Gregory, third.

Fat men's race—Won by Philip Cournoyer, prize, 50 cigars; James Curley, prize, 15 cigars, second; Wilfred Berthiaume, third.

Hop, step and jump—Won by Walter Connors, prize, sport shoes; Rodolphe Jalbert, prize, knife, second; Joseph Buckley, third.

Shotput—Won by George Gaetjans, prize, a shirt; William Buckingham, prize, tie, second; Romeo Labarge, third.

Egg race for ladies—Won by Josephine Dumas, prize, silk stockings; Rose Savory, prize, box of chocolates, second; Mary Yates, prize, Eversharp pencil, third.

Running broad jump—Won by Telesphore Leduc, prize, fountain pen; K. W. Crossman, prize, 25 cigars, second; R. Jalbert, third.

100-yard dash for men—Won by Telesphore Leduc, prize, suitcase; Walter Connors, prize, straw hat, second; Albert McDonald, prize, Cumapart buttons, third.

Tug-of-war for ladies—Won by burling room, prize, gold pins; finishing room, prize, handkerchiefs, second.

220-yard dash for men—Won by Telesphore Leduc, prize, thermos bottle; Walter Connors, prize, military brushes, second; W. K. Crossman, third.

Greased-pig race—Won by Tony Lapenta, prize, the pig.

Half-mile relay race, departments—Won by finishing room, prize, B. V. D. underwear, pair each; weave shop, prize, pair of socks each, second.

75-yard dash for ladies—Won by Mary F. Ryan, prize, tennis racquet; Cecilia Fallon, prize, pocketbook, second; Agnella Gareau, third.

120-yard hurdles—Won by Walter Connors, prize, shaving mug; A. Whiteoak, prize, fishing rod, second; Telesphore Leduc, third.

Three-legged race—Won by Harry Wright and Leduc, prize, flashlights; W. Connors and R. Jalbert, prize, knives, second.

Half-mile run—Won by John Moriarty, prize, sweater; K. W. Crossman, prize, razor, second; G. J. Laplante, prize, safety razor, third.

Pipe race—Won by Steve Joe, prize, pipe; Robert Kershaw, prize, tobacco, second; K. W. Crossman, third.

Half-mile walking race, heel and toe—Won by Walter Connors, prize, watch; Joseph Buckley, prize, umbrella, second; George Gatejans, third.

220-yard obstacle race—Won by K. W. Crossman, prize, camera; Harry Wright, prize, watch chain, second; Arthur Whiteoak, third.

High jump—Won by Walter Connors, prize, signet ring; R. Jalbert, prize, fountain pen, second; K. W. Crossman, prize, tie and garters, third.

Special 150 yards for married men, 30 years and over—Won by Joseph Brown, prize, smoking stand; Joseph Buckley, prize, ash tray, second; Joseph Gauthier, third.

Special match race, 100 yards—Won by Joseph Brown, prize, box of cigars; William Walters, prize, humidor of tobacco, second.

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Mrs. Julia Freeman is spending a week at Putnam, Conn., down on the farm.  
Miss Julia King has left our employment recently to be married.  
Miss Mae Donahue is spending a few weeks' vacation at Stamford, Conn.  
Miss Susie McKee is passing a vacation at Salisbury.  
Mr. William Spayne has returned after spending two weeks' vacation camping. Ask Bill how the fish were biting.  
Mr. Gallagher finds some attraction in Lowell, for he spends a great many week-ends there.  
Miss Veronica Gyna will be one of the August brides.  
Three Flivers from Department 2 came over to clean up Riverside in a bowling match. The first sign of their going up in the air was when they climbed the four flights of stairs to get to the alleys. So it was up to the Riversides to keep them up in the air. Department 2 tried hard to come down to earth, but failed.  
The scores were as follows:

RIVERSIDE			
Spayne	79	73	87
Sanderson	75	86	78
Nadeau	80	93	89
Shutts	70	83	110
Metcalfe	108	88	86
Totals	411	423	350
DEPARTMENT 2			
Cooper	79	96	71
Bates	69	62	74
Masse	77	86	74
Grenier	84	87	76
Ravenelle	90	95	89
Totals	399	426	384

F. C. Hanson and family visited in Providence for the week-end.  
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Fellows of Providence are visitors of F. C. Hanson  
One of the boldest hold-ups in this section occurred on the Holland road near the East Brimfield waiting station on the night of July 7, when two highway men stopped an auto at eleven o'clock at night. It is not known how much money was taken, but the yeggs are traced to Department 1-A, and no doubt arrests will follow soon.

Strangers?



The uninitiated might mistake this picture for the President, cabinet and high officials of the Government, but those who know realize that it is an even more distinguished gathering. It was taken at Point Breeze at the last overseers' meeting and represents the handsomest, wealthiest, brainiest, and QUIETEST assembly ever held at that renowned resort.  
Automobiles carried the party from the mill to the Point; and while nothing of a serious nature occurred, the trip had some interesting incidents. Mr. Varnum's car ruined a brand-new tube in front of Hyde's knife shop, and Mr. Martin went halfway up Tufts Hill without realizing he was on an upgrade. When he tried to step on the gas, the car didn't respond in the usual manner but tried to go to sleep; and if it had not been for quick work on Mr. Hager's part, his Winton would have merrily rambled over the Hupmobile.  
Immediately upon arrival this picture was taken, and the strained look apparent on the faces in the front row is due to the fact that the odors from the kitchen were drifting through the atmosphere and causing thoughts of internal vacuums. As for the dinner itself, it can only be said that whoever designed it, and whoever cooked it, they will attain the Happy Hunting Grounds, whatever their past life may have been, just on the strength of that one meal. Everybody present did justice to the food, but it is universally agreed that Clarence Morse holds the championship.  
If the Shipping Board could engage Mr. Morse for stowing cargo, they could reduce the present space necessary by one half.  
After the clams, chickens, and lobsters were disposed of, a torpedo-boat destroyer was chartered for a voyage around the lake. The trip was completed without a mishap, but some of the travelers seemed to be much relieved when they stood again on terra firma. Altogether a most enjoyable evening was spent, one that was deeply appreciated and will long be remembered.  
Edward Irwin and wife attended the wedding of his niece in Springfield, July 23.  
William Walters went to Providence to get a smell of the salt air, July 15.  
Mr. and Mrs. Sugden Busfield journeyed to New York to meet his cousin from Bradford, Eng.  
James Patterson has been spending his vacation in West Brookfield with his parents.

Hamilton Club

Have you joined the organization?  
Do you believe in co-operation?  
Let us see you right away;  
We can help you work or play.  
This is no social sub,  
It is the Hamilton Woolen Club.  
  
It is formed to help each other,  
Be it sister or be it brother,  
Be it father, be it mother.  
It extends to all an equal right,  
It helps us in our daily fight,  
It's the Hamilton Woolen Club.  
  
We've got sports and recreation,  
Choice enough for any nation;  
We like to see the best team win.  
For we are sports through thick and thin,  
We are the crowd to make a din,  
It's the Hamilton Woolen Club.  
  
We've got a room for social recreation,  
We've got a class for technical education;  
If you would be on the map,  
Now is the time, come take a rap;  
There's great opportunity right on Tap;  
It's the Hamilton Woolen Club.  
A. EMMOTT.

At the regular meeting of the Hamilton Club held August 10, it was voted that the chair appoint an Athletic Committee of five members to confer with the officials of the Wellsworth Athletic Association on the matter of a dual track meet to be held at the Sturbridge Fair next month.  
Some of the officials of the Sturbridge Fair that were present at the Hamilton Field Day announced that the athletic events were the best they had seen in Southbridge. As the result of this they have offered prizes estimated at the value of \$150 to be competed for at the Fair.  
The committee appointed by the Hamilton Club is as follows: Charles H. Matthews, chairman; Harry Wright, J. F. McNally, Wm. R. Olney, Rudolph Lusignan.  
When the Weave Shop and the Outside Department pulled to decide the championship for the tug-of-war on the Monday following Field Day, great interest was taken throughout the mill; but none were more interested than a certain machinist who, it is understood, became so unstrung from excitement that he left his work at 4 o'clock in order that he might enjoy the hour of anticipation before the big event. If baseball fans are fan-atics, what are tug-of-war fans?



To Start Things Off, Mr. Armstrong Got Up On the Stage and Made Everybody Welcome



The Globe Station Was a Busy Place; Everyone Wanted to Be There Early





Tony Lapenta Caught the Greased Pig

### The Field Day Dance Was a Very Successful Party

Just as the Hamilton Field Day was adjudged by all the best ever, so also was the concert and dance—a sequel of the Field Day—that was held in the Hippodrome that evening, August 7. Comments poured in from all sides on the grand success of the undertaking.

It can be safely ascertained beyond any semblance of a doubt that the spacious hall never held such a crowd at any other concert and dance. Fully five hundred couples flooded the dance floor—every one of whom came bent on a good time and got it a-plenty.

The hall was tastefully decorated with hundreds of jack o'lanterns and pennants, while on each side of the stage two cosy corners were erected. They were enclosed by a lattice fence artistically set. Within were wicker chairs, rugs, tables, and numerous standing electric lamps. All these furnishings were contributed gratis through the generosity of the John J. Delehanty Furniture Co., and the officials appreciate this favor not a little.

Directly over the stage, set in a mass of bunting and flags, was a large illuminated sign, "Hamilton Club," in colors of maroon and white, the Club colors.

The 104th Infantry Band that gave the concert for the evening was enclosed in a veritable garden of palms.

After the splendid concert that lasted from 7.30 to 8.30, the grand march was set in motion. Mr. and Mrs. E. Benj. Armstrong led the march, followed by Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Varnum, invited guests, officials of the Club and Field Day.



When They Pull the Rope the Crowd Stands Up

An orchestra of sixteen pieces, composed of members of the band, furnished music for the dancing, which lasted till midnight.

During the evening Miss C. Hazel Childs of Worcester rendered vocal solos that were highly appreciated by the audience. The Dales of Boston, artists in tripping the light fantastic, favored with exhibition dances.

After intermission, frolic hats were distributed, and the real fun of the evening was given full play. It was a good mixing crowd, like all Hamilton crowds; and all left pleased and satisfied with but one regret; that the Field Day and dance come only once a year.



The Vaudeville Was "Tres Bien"

Everett Freeman has been having a great time winning a horse rake in Webster this week-end; some farmer is Everett.

George James has so harnessed the well he drove a short time ago, he can throw a stream of water 70 feet in the air. He can be the whole fire department of Sturbridge.

Many girls of the Slater Mills of Webster have accepted jobs as weavers in Department 6.

P. Houle, a weaver in Department 6, has accepted a job as clerk in Lippe's grocery store.

Mr. and Mrs. Arstide Martin have returned from a most delightful month's vacation in Detroit.

John Tarvenier, a loom fixer in Department 6, recently spent a two weeks' vacation in Acrole, Can.

Leo Goddu, a loom fixer in Department 6, has accepted a position in the Fiskdale Optical Co.

### Recreation Room Doings

One of the biggest and most successful parties which have been held in the recreation rooms for some time took place this month when Herbert Ryan was tendered a birthday party by his many friends. Mr. Ryan was presented with a handsome automobile lunch kit and the accessories that go with it. Dancing was the main feature of the evening, and refreshments were served.

### Somebody Who Knows Likes Our Town

We like to hear good words spoken of the plant, the people of the town, and the community in general, especially when such words come from persons who come among us from experiences gained in other plants and in widely separated places. In speaking of such things a few days ago, Ernest Birdsall, in charge of the Company's weaving, was warm in his praise of the people he has met here and of the good feeling shown by the employees of the Company upon every occasion. He likes Southbridge, the Hamilton Woolen Co. plant, and the men and women that unite in such unusual teamwork. He is looking forward with pleasure to the time when his family comes to live here, which will be soon now. Mr. Birdsall's opinion is as valuable as it is pleasing, for he has come in contact with industrial workers in some of the large mills of New England and is in a position to judge.

William Kermack is practicing every night with a rifle; and when asked the reason for the sharpshooting practice, Bill replied that he intended, when he was proficient enough, to stand every night in his garden and shoot back the tennis balls as they came over the net, so that his corn would get a chance to straighten up and also to save the players the bother of coming after them.

Miss Katherine Moriarty of Department 7 spent a few days at Nantasket.

Miss Nellie Whelan was confined to her home, recently with an attack of tonsillitis.

Mrs. Jessie Marsh is spending the month of August at her home in Woodstock, Conn.

Miss Laura Albee is spending two weeks vacation at Cedar Pond.

Mrs. Louise Ponton of the mending room was married to Edmund Gaumond recently in Notre Dame Church.

Mrs. Minnie Ferry of the burling room died at Springfield Hospital, Saturday, August 7, after an operation. Her fellow workers feel her loss very much and extend the greatest sympathy to her family.

William Brennan of Department 1-A has severed his connections with the Hamilton Woolen Co. and will visit his parents in Maine.

Joseph Lachapelle of Department 1, with a party of friends, has left Southbridge for a week's tour of Canada in an Oakland Six.

William Kermack of Department 1 is spending his vacation in New York.

Antonia Viau of Department 1 is taking a three weeks' vacation in Canada.

Grace Cameron of Department 1 has returned to work, having spent a week's vacation in the Berkshires.

Charles F. Farrow and family are at Lead Mine Pond for the week of August



A Keystone Comedy Cop Was There





The Championship for the Tug-of-War Was Decided Monday Following Field Day, the Weave Shop Defeating the Outside Department Before a Large Crowd

### When He Sits on the Bleachers

When the new baseball park is opened and the crowds gather to see the national sport at its best, it will not be strange if some of the older ones grow a bit reminiscent, for from the bleachers their eyes may rest upon many of the spots dear to their memory. Hard by is Sandy Bottom, where they learned to swim and from where they set out upon that classic achievement of swimming across to the old ice house, or, if of more than average daring, to the big rock well up stream on the Grand Trunk side of the pond. That feat placed them in the circle of the elect and gave them full license to boast of their strength and skill.

Where the new roadway leads up to the grounds, stood the old apple orchard where temptation got the better of him, leading not only to wrong-doing, but also to many a stomach-ache. He will remember with what a hungry look he loitered about until the coast was clear and he was free to stuff his smock with the "high sweets" and the "martha stripes" and incidentally chuckle over the thought that he had put one over

Brad Stone or Joe Bartlett, the then faithful guardians of that kind of property for the Company.

Up the hill and over the ten-acre lot were the birds' nests, the squirrels, and the woodchucks, where he spent most of his Sundays. In those days the mills ran until 4.30 Saturday afternoons, so that there was no half holiday as now.

Just over the tree tops he will be able to catch a glimpse from his bleacher seat of the old schoolhouse where he received his not too large stock of learning, but where some of the most blessed days of his life were passed.

And he may ask where now are those hard-hearted special police officers who used to hound him around whenever he tried to get up a scrub game of baseball on Sunday. He remembers, of course, when a whole crowd of boys were hauled into court for Sunday ball playing on an almost perpendicular lot just back of the ten acre, known to him and his companions henceforth and forever as the "Dear Field," it having cost them dear in Judge Jillson's court. Memories such as these are hallowed in the minds of a goodly number of men now working for the Company.



No Blanks!! Try Your Luck!!!

T. W. Simpson, who left Department 2 a few weeks ago, has been replaced by A. L. Booth. Mr. Booth comes from Woonsocket.

Alberta Poulin returned from Jewett City, Conn., last week, after spending a pleasant vacation with relatives. Alberta is full of pep for another year.

C. W. Bates of Department 2 has been entertaining Mr. Wm. Knight of Lowell. Mr. Knight says he felt out of place in such a small town, while wearing his Palm Beach suit.

George Vinton and William Congdon have returned to work after an absence of three weeks. Where did they spend their vacations?

Mr. Wilfred Vreeland is a new section hand in Department 4.

Leo Dupre has left us to visit relatives in Canada for an indefinite time.

Josephine Clei of Department 4 has enjoyed a few days' vacation at Old Orchard, Me.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McDonald of Department 6 went blueberrying in Pasco recently. Tom claims to have broken all berry-picking records. We all think this is some record; so come on, you other Department berry pickers, show your colors. He says he picked 22 quarts in 1½ hours.

A. McDonald of Department 6 returned recently from a week's vacation spent in New Hampshire and Vermont.

Mr. Birdsall, overseer of Department 6, recently spent the week-end with his family in Lawrence.

Rudolph Lusignan of Department 6 and family recently spent the week-end at the Perry Farm in Dudley.

Arthur Robichaud has entered the employ of the Hamilton Woolen Co. in Department 1.

Rudolph Jalbert has returned to Department 1 after an absence of three months



The Enclosure for Kiddies Was Appreciated by a Great Many

One night a short time ago, two fishermen with a friend of theirs decided to catch all the fish that inhabit Cedar Pond, so they started up there by way of the electric. Before going they took their respective wash-boilers and placed them in a convenient position to hold the fish that they expected to bring home. After an uneventful journey to the pond, they procured a boat from one of the denizens of that district and proceeded out in the pond to try their luck. One of the fishermen insisted on standing up every time he threw out his line, which rather disconcerted the other two; and their cries of, "Sit down, you're rocking the boat," did not seem to have any effect on him. The result of his standing up was that in a short time the boat was half full of water. They fished until about 11 P. M., and the net results of their efforts were a few small fish and a bullhead or two. To make their string look presentable, they found a line near the shore with a few fish on it that were being preserved for the cottagers, which they proceeded to take and add to their string. When it was getting near time for the last car to come down, one of the fishermen suggested that they start across the pond; but the other one wanted to stay a little longer, for he said, "I can row across in a few

minutes," so they decided to take his word for it, with the result that they missed the last car and had to walk home. We wonder what they filled the wash-boilers with when they got home, as it was too early to buy any fish in the market.

Miss Laura McDonald is enjoying a two weeks' vacation at Onota Lake, in Pittsfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilliam are enjoying a week's vacation at Revere Beach and Lawrence.

Miss Albina Peloquin of Department 5 is spending a month's vacation at St. Victoire, Can.

A party of young ladies went to Rocky Point recently for a shore dinner. The party included the Misses Laura and Alma Berthiaume, Malvina Leblanc, Olive Dupis, Dora Laroche, and Rosilda Martin. The Misses Annie Ryan, Nelda Collette, Etta Herber, and Mrs. Eudalie Ravenelle of Department 5 went berrying recently. I wonder why they didn't take "Junie" with them?

Wilfred Fafard of Department 1 has been confined to his home with a severe cold for the past two weeks, and they say the reason for this severe cold is that Wilfred and some of his friends have been posing as September Morn, nightly, at Cedar Pond recently.



Charles W. Hill



In giving our readers various items of interest in connection with the past history and development of the mill, we are very much pleased to have the opportunity to give a brief sketch of the man with whom the Hamilton Woolen Co. has been so closely linked during the past fifty years—Mr. Charles W. Hill.

Without a doubt, there is no one to whom the steady progress and present stable condition of the mill are more gratifying than to him. He was born in Chelsea, Mass., October 11, 1842, moving shortly afterward to Cambridge, where he completed his schooling. Following a brief stay in New York, he came to Southbridge, December 18, 1868, boarding in what was then called the Agent's House, 215 Main Street. During this time he was closely associated with Mr. Ballard, then agent, and upon June 1, 1891, was appointed agent, succeeding Mr. Patterson, which position he held until his resignation January 1, 1915. This gives Mr. Hill a record of 47 years with the Company, 24 years of which he served as its agent.

When first coming here, the production

of the mill included men's wear, such as cassimeres, delaines, alpacas, etc., in addition to the cotton warps. During his régime, many changes and additions were put through, such as the new weave shed, the Dyeing and Finishing Departments, the power house, and the freight house. All trucking was done with horses, the Company having then about twenty on hand to do this work. The large barn also contained a fine herd of pure-bred cows.

Mr. Hill stated that, when he first came, the working day consisted of eleven (11) hours, previous to which it was twelve (12) hours; and this is only one instance wherein customs have changed to keep abreast of the times. To listen to his various experiences during his connection with the mill is very entertaining as well as mighty interesting. He is now, as always, a most loyal "Booster" for the Company and its workers. He still retains a keen and active interest in all of its affairs, and we congratulate him that he is able to be amongst us day by day as a friend and adviser.



The Ladies Are Strong for Tug-of-War Just as the Men Are



And Here Are the Champions, Department 7 Tug-of-War Team



Ready—On Your Mark—Get Set

There were two exciting horse races, John Hubbard's Garridell capturing two straight heats in the 2.30 class with Romeo Gregoire's Fred Wilkes a close second both times. Joseph Declaire's May Boy was third in the first heat and fourth in the second, sharing the third prize with Adolphe Roquier's Tulip Direct, which finished fourth and third, respectively. The time of the heats was 2.30 and 2.25.

In the 2.20 class, Lady Zombro, owned by Frank Slater of Webster, took two straight heats and the race, her time being 2.20 and 2.19. Allie Wright's Kermit was second in both heats, and Henry R., owned by L'Ecuyer and Marey, finished a good third in each heat. Lady Kit,

owned by Joseph Jevry of Oxford, finished fourth.

"Babe Ruth" Hampson went to see Ringling's circus in Worcester the other day and says it was the most wonderful show he ever saw. Ernest was especially interested in a certain young lady in pink tights who was doing stunts near the roof of the tent, and consequently is sporting a stiff neck. He claims he got it from looking up at the giraffes and the elephants, but we were told different by someone who was there and saw him.



## The Champions



Josephine Dumas, Telesphore Leduc, Walter Connors, and Mary Ryan

Miss Ryan and Miss Dumas Tied for the Highest Number of Points for Ladies. Connors Was the Best of the Men with Leduc and Crossman Close Seconds

The score in the athletic events follows:

MEN		
Department	1	12 points
"	1-A	4 "
"	2	7 "
"	6	3 "
"	8	6 "
"	9	26 "
"	11	4 "
"	14	3 "
"	16	5 "
"	19	10 "

WOMEN		
Department	2	2 points
"	2-R	1 point
"	6	6 points
"	7	3 "
"	9	10 "
"	10	2 "

MEN		
Dept.	1	Rudolph Jalbert 5 points
"	8	Harry Wright 2 "
"	19	K. N. Crossman 10 "
"	2	Arthur Whiteoak 2 "
"	1	William Buckingham 2 "
"	2	John Rowley 2 "
"	1-A	Earl Gregory 1 point
"	6	Albert McDonald 1 "
"	6	Wilfred Berthiaume 1 "
"	6	George Laplante 1 "
"	8	Romeo Labarge 1 "
"	1-A	Joseph Brown 3 points
"	9	Telesphore Leduc 10 "
"	8	Henry Robidoux 3 "
"	2	Roland Caplette 3 "
"	14	John Moriarty 3 "
"	1	Robert Kershaw, Sr. 2 "
"	16	Joseph Buckley 5 "
"	9	Walter Connors 16 "
"	1	Steve Joe 3 "
"	11	George Gaetjans 4 "

WOMEN		
Dept.	6	Mary Ryan 6 points
"	9	Josephine Dumas 6 "
"	7	Mary Yates 3 "
"	2	Rose Savary 2 "
"	9	Bessie Hogan 2 "
"	9	Cecilia Fallon 2 "
"	10	Agnella Gareau 2 "
"	2-R	Mae Donahue 1 point



We don't think you will have a hard time recognizing this young lady. Wonder what she is thinking about? Oh! no; she isn't posing for "The Hamiltonian," not intentionally at least.

What's the matter with Richard Morrissey these days? There seems to be a great change in him. He used to always have a smile and a word of good cheer, when one saw him; but now, what a change! He seems as though he had lost a dollar, and found a penny. Well, never mind, Richard; better luck next time. Brother Ricky was there with his 306 anyway. Perhaps it was too hot for bowling.

Guard, 85, 75, 94; Scharschmidt, 80, 77, 88; Bates, 86, 89, 96; J. Splane, 87, 84, 75; B. Morrissey, 94, 90, 122.

Clouthier, 92, 105, 97; R. Morrissey, 81, 83, 86; Proul, 82, 89, 90; Ray Morrissey, 78, 81, 90; Cooper, 91, 73, 75.

Mr. and Mrs. John Walsh are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter named Mary Cecelia.

Pete Leduc and Wallie Connors of Department 9 and Harry Wright and George Johnson of Department 8 upheld the honors of the Dyeing and Finishing Department in the half-mile relay at the Field Day.

All kinds of champions have been born in Department 6. The most recent to join the championship class is John Roan, a percher, who is some bender and contortionist.

Alice Poulin of Department 6 is spending a month's vacation in Quebec, Can.

Stella Cyrupa of Department 6 was recently married to Wlorolystow Swiatowski, a prominent tailor in this town. As Stella has always been popular, her friends wish her the best of luck.



Mrs. Slater, our new nurse, had charge of the Red Cross tent at Field Day and we took her picture with—Ponzi?—No. But Ryan.



Coming Down the Stretch in the 220-Yard Hurdles

## Hamilton Recreation Field

Hamilton Recreation Field, the construction of which has been watched with so much interest since work was started on it about the middle of April, is practically completed, saving for a few details that will add to its attractiveness and convenience, and it will soon be turned over to the use of the employees of the Company.

Only those familiar with the spot before construction work was started can fully realize what a big job it has been to evolve so fine a field from hill, ledge, and boulders. But the desire of the Company to rush it through, the steam drill, the steam shovel, and other modern devices for doing work of the kind required came into play; and despite the unusually wet summer, which delayed operations for days at a time, progress went steadily on.

More than 8,000 yards of material, 750 of it ledge just at the foot of Ten-Acre Lot, had to be moved, and thousands of loads of gravel, sand, and loam were spread over the area. What appeared at first to be an obstacle turned out to be an asset in the appearance of several full flowing springs just at the bottom of the deepest cut. The water had to be conducted across the field to the little brook that skirts it on one side. But the five springs thus uncovered are to be put to use and will provide the finest drinking water.

Measurements taken show that there is a flow of about 12 gallons a minute, enough to supply a small village of people. The springs will be connected up and directed into a single well.

Besides the recreation field itself, the Company has plans for roadways on either side of the grounds, which will form a beautiful parkway around a kite-shaped tract, making the place not only very accessible from all sides, but adding to the pleasing effect of the whole. Plans also include a fence about the field.

The site is an ideal one for outdoor sports of all kinds, but chiefly baseball and football. On rising ground, it overlooks the "Big Pond." The view extends over the plant to the slopes of the hills beyond, the scene and the surroundings making the spot delightful in every way; and the Company's employees feel that a place has been provided for their pleasure and relaxation during the long summer evenings and holidays that will compare most favorably with any of its kind in the state. The deep interest that has been shown during the progress of the work is proof enough that they will avail themselves of all the opportunities that the field offers.



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## Management Offers Employees Opportunity to Become Shareholders of the Company under Very Generous Arrangement

### This Corporation is One of the Soundest in the Country

#### "YOUR COMPANY IS ENTERING UPON ITS NINETIETH YEAR"

The above is quoted from a letter of Arthur E. Mason, treasurer, to the stockholders of the Hamilton Woolen Company. Incorporated January 17, 1831, this Company is one of the oldest corporations in the state still doing business under the original charter. As the business was conducted under the same name for at least a year and a half previous to the act of incorporation, it is safe to say that we have already entered upon the last decade of a century of activity.

Moreover, if we consider the James Walcott Mfg. Co., the Walcott Woolen Mfg. Co., and the Globe Mfg. Co., successive predecessors of the present corporation, doing the same work in the same place, the building now used as a carpenter shop, it may be said that this business of manufacturing cloth from wool has been in continuous operation for more than a century, the Globe Mfg. Co. having been organized in 1815.

That century offers an interesting record of trial and achievement. It shows the progress and development of a great industry. Wars and panics, tariff reforms, changes of style and fashions, have all left their mark upon the business in different ways, but nothing has served to long prevent its growth and development.

The people of this valley were enterprising from the beginning, and as early as 1823 were among the first in the country to use power looms. Woolen goods were the earliest products, and the machinery was of domestic make and probably of simple design. The construction of the Big Mill in 1837 made this concern one of the largest in the country, and soon its broadcloths were second to none in quality.

The introduction of worsted machinery was begun as early as 1844, when this process was practically unknown in this country and all the machinery had to be secured from England. Great prosperity followed this venture; the delaines, as the fabrics were called, becoming a standard on the market. The present Danish poplar cloth is a survival of these early fabrics and is almost identical with the cloth which was sold in the printed patterns very popular in the years following the Civil War.

A Calico Print Works was established in connection with the Delaine Print Works at the Upper Mill. Both of these businesses ran out, however, and were discontinued about 1886.

From about the year 1891 began the modern period of development. All woolen machinery then used in making cassimeres, as well as the printing machinery, was thrown out and, taking the worsted machinery which was left, adding new, re-locating, expanding, building where necessary, the present organization has been developed, manufacturing medium-weight dress goods.

About the year 1872, when the Company was extremely prosperous, the Essex Cotton Mills at Amesbury were purchased; and from that date until 1915, when the mills were finally sold, a large yardage of print cloths and chambrays was turned out. Considerable quantities of worsted cloths were also woven at Amesbury and finished at Southbridge.

The source of the raw material for our manufacture is an interesting history in itself. In the beginning local farmers probably supplied all the wool. To-day scarcely a thousand pounds a year is brought into our wool room from nearby. Later, as the business required a larger volume than local growers could supply, it was secured from the markets at Pittsfield and Albany, which were considerable wool centers in early days. English and Irish wools were probably the first imported wools to be used; and as our own country was developed westward, wools were brought from these territories. For a great many years the "fleece" wools from Kentucky and Missouri, specially put up for us in the Louisville and St. Louis markets, were known as "Hamilton throw." About 1900 we began to bring in wool from South America. To-day practically all our wool is from South America and New Zealand.

One lesson to be derived from this record is the success of the corporation business organization. Brilliant, and for a time successful, as was James Walcott, he was not able to withstand the perplexities and financial strain which he encountered in the establishment of this industry. It was only when the resources of many indi-

## Hamilton Lodge Opens

### Provides Place for Girls Whose Homes Are Not in Southbridge

By the opening of Hamilton Lodge, formerly the Hotel Pleasant, at the corner of Canal and Pleasant Streets, the Company is now in a position to comfortably house and feed a number of its women employees who, coming from outside the town to enter the Company's employ, have experienced considerable difficulty in procuring a suitable lodging. The building has been thoroughly remodeled, and accommodations are now available for

housing thirty girls. In addition to this, both men and women employees to the number of one hundred can be served excellent meals in the spacious dining rooms with which the Lodge has been equipped. Mr. and Mrs. M. V. McNevin, who are in charge of the Lodge, have already proven their ability; and only words of praise are heard of the manner in which the Lodge is being conducted and

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The Office

viduals were brought together in the form of a stock company that success was assured. This is the democratic form of conducting a business enterprise. The three hundred stockholders of the Hamilton Woolen Company, scattered as they are throughout the country, are the absolute owners of the property. At their annual meeting officers are elected, past activities of officers approved or censured, and no real estate may be sold except as they direct.

A notice recently appeared advising employees that they were privileged to subscribe to a new issue of stock which is being offered to present stockholders. As quite a number evinced a desire to take advantage of this opportunity, a meeting was held in the recreation room Wednesday evening, September 8, at which Mr. Arthur E. Mason, treasurer, explained the details of the transaction and answered the questions of the prospective subscribers.

The present capital is \$1,000,000, the

same as it has remained for over thirty years. The new issue is for \$500,000, present stockholders being entitled to purchase one new share for every two that they now hold. Special arrangements have been made which will permit employees to purchase stock on exactly the same basis as the present stockholders. Payments on the new stock are to be made in three installments, September 15, October 15, and November 10. When the new stock has been paid in, a stock dividend of 50% will be declared, which will give a new share to every holder of two shares on November 15.

It is expected that the business will be able to earn the regular 6% dividend on this capitalization. The new financing is made necessary by the expansion of business and the increased cost of materials of all kinds. The Company is now doing a gross business of over \$6,000,000 a year. The book value of the present stock is \$370 a share.



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Mr. Nadeau, as a rule, does not make many slips, but his recent experience with a floor walker in one of the five and ten cent stores (not the five and ten of former days) caused him some anguish. Nevertheless, he got his shoes, even though he had to pay ten dollars for them.

Miss Margaret Lynch has recently returned from a week's vacation.

Miss Mary Fenton has returned from a very pleasant vacation, after making the acquaintance of numerous mosquitoes.

Miss Anna Sinkench has returned from a week's vacation spent at the beach.

Mrs. Rose Labuda has returned to her work after enjoying a month's vacation.

Mrs. Elizabeth Murray is confined to her home with illness.

Walter Metcalfe and Bart Gallagher went to Revere for a dip in the ocean. Walter was knocked out by the waves, and but for Bart's quickness Walter might be food for the fishes by now.

When it comes to speed, Mr. Shutts is there with the goods. On his return from Whitinsville on a recent visit, what appeared to be a disabled auto party was stalled on the road; Mr. Shutts was given the high sign to stop. As the party looked suspicious, he put on more speed and thereby saved his roll—as it proved by the newspaper next day that the same "disabled crew" got a party on the same spot and made a cleanup of money and jewelry. Mr. Shutts's speed saved his roll.

## The Ten Commandments of Thrift

1. Make a budget.
2. Keep an intelligent record of expenditures.
3. Have a bank account.
4. Carry life insurance.
5. Make a will.
6. Own your own home eventually.
7. Pay bills promptly.
8. Invest in War Savings Stamps and other Government securities.



The Girls' Dining Room

## Hamilton Lodge Opens

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the quality of the meals that are being served.

The Lodge was recently thrown open for the inspection of the Hamilton employees, and the large number who availed themselves of this opportunity were favorably impressed with the comfort and homelikeness of the Lodge. Every possible convenience for the wel-

fare and comfort of both lodgers and boarders has been installed, and those who become tenants of Hamilton Lodge find in it a home. The opening was attended by a large number of men and women, who were welcomed by a committee of which Mr. Herbert F. Ryan was the chairman. They were given the freedom of the house and found in Mr. and Mrs. McNevin excellent hosts. Music was furnished by an orchestra during the evening and light refreshments served.



A Corner of the Men's Dining Room

9. Spend less than you earn.
10. Share with others. Thrift without benevolence is a doubtful blessing.

Clipped.

Bill was being measured for his first made-to-order suit of clothes.

"Do you want the shoulders padded?" asked the tailor.

"Naw," said Bill significantly. "Pad de pants."

I wonder why Joseph Tully, percher in Department 6, is so interested in West Dudley. Is she blonde or brunette, Joe?

Miss Parmelia Leblanc, weaver in Department 6, recently spent a two weeks' vacation at Hampton Beach.

Miss Angelina Collette of Department 6 has returned from a week's vacation spent at Balington Beach, Providence.

John Mallison enjoyed a very pleasant ten days' vacation in Albion, N. Y., his old home town. It was some 26 years since John saw the place.

Paul Potvin returned last week after spending two weeks with his sister, Mrs. Herbert Waldron, in Corinth, N. Y.

Charles Vincent enjoyed himself for a week the past month at Temple Lake and Ellenburg Centre, N. Y.

Joe Brown and Joe Laughnane represented the Hamilton Club at the Triangle Industrial League baseball meeting in Hotel Warren, Worcester, Thursday evening, August 26.

David Dufault is among the elect, spending three weeks where drought is unknown—Canada!

Freeland Champeau, formerly of Sandersdale Print Works, has accepted a job as percher in Department 6.

## Join Up

### Everybody Is Going To Be There This Year

#### Opening of Southbridge Vocational School Evening Classes

Notices have been posted in the mill announcing the fall opening of the evening classes in the Southbridge Vocational School. Two courses will be given which should be particularly interesting and helpful to employees of the Hamilton Woolen Co. These are the courses in worsted yarn manufacture and in weaving.

The class in worsted yarn manufacture, which was held in the lunch room last spring, will be continued; but sessions will be in the rear end of the Town Hall. This may mean a longer walk for some of the members of the class; but it will be worth while, as the textile class room at the Town Hall is better fitted up than the class room used last year in the mill. This room has been equipped with a Scott yarn strength tester, yarn reel, scales, twist tester, top stapling board, and several other pieces of apparatus for class-room use.

Last year the class was badly handicapped because there was no opportunity to come in contact with the machinery employed in yarn manufacture. This difficulty will be overcome in a short time, when a laboratory being fitted up by the Hamilton Woolen Co. will be placed at the disposal of the school. This room is situated on the ground floor of the old print works. The equipment will consist of a worsted card, a comb, two gill boxes, two drawing boxes, and five looms. Instead of the class spending all their time in the class room, as many nights as are necessary will be spent in this laboratory, running the machines and studying them.

If enough candidates apply, a new class will be started; and in any event the class which started last January will be continued.

The course in weaving will offer practical instruction in the mechanism and upkeep of a loom. Classes will enroll at the Town Hall, but the greater portion of the time will be spent in the laboratory mentioned above.

Besides these courses there will be a course in machine drawing and blueprint reading, one in the theory of machine shop practice and tool design, and a course in electricity; and undoubtedly these courses will appeal to some of the men employed in the Repair Department.

Classes are free and are open to all persons over sixteen years of age who are actively engaged in the industry during the day. Enrollment will be Monday, September 20, at 7 p. m. All those who are interested are urged to come to the Town Hall on that evening and talk it over with the principal and the instructors.

Amedee Girard continues in his good luck at getting big hauls in pout fishing. He came home recently with a string of fifty-four averaging almost a pound each. "Medee" says you can't beat that pond "over there."

The Dyeing Department closed down Friday, August 27, until Tuesday, September 7, in order that repairs might be made on kettles and floors. The drains beneath the floors were given a thorough cleaning-out, all waste and foreign matter that had accumulated in a few years being removed.



They're First-Aid Experts Now



They tell a story about a doctor who was rushing madly up the street, and a friend called out, "Where are you going so fast?" He answered, "Mrs. Smith's house! Her little boy is sick, and she's got a book on 'What to do before the Doctor comes'; and I've got to get there before she does it!"

Surely, though, when we look upon the picture of these smiling members of the First-Aid Class, we know that any doctor would feel safe in taking his time to reach his patient, if one of these capable graduates were looking after the case.

The First-Aid Class was organized by the Manufacturer's Association and composed of the employees of the different plants in town. Our representatives pictured above, from left to right, are Harry Widdowson, Mrs. Nora Brennan, Robert Kershaw, Miss Grace Templeman, and Fred Farrow. Miss Rose Gendron, Department 2, is also a graduate, but was not present when this picture was taken. While we have no doubt of their ability to care for any accidents that may happen, we still hope that their practice in the mill and outside will be limited.

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**Read This—**

Mr. Payne of Department 7 received a very interesting letter the other day from Elton Cornell, who was known to many of us. Elton returned a key which has done some traveling.

16 Woodward Ave.,  
East Providence, R. I.  
August 31, 1920.

Dear Friend:

I am sending you a key to your garage, which I have had for four or five years. It might be interesting to know that this key has been in more than a dozen pair of trousers and has been a distance equal to the circumference of the earth, yet was not lost. It was attached to a license holder and traveled several thousand miles by automobile. Because the license had my name and address, I carried it to South Carolina, to within a hundred miles of Iceland, down the shores of Scotland to Liverpool, across England, and from the northern part of France south to a place near Spain, in France; from there to Château-Thierry, to Soissons, to the Argonne-Meuse sector, where, by the way, it was under fire for forty-three days;

and during the six months' wait after the armistice I probably walked more than a thousand miles, when finally I carried it to Brest and back to Boston and Camp Devens.

When father sold the garage, he did not know where the key was; but it has never been lost.

Sincerely yours,  
ELTON S. CORNELL.

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Lizzie Whiteoak has left us to return to her home in Keighley, Eng.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean of Methuen, Mass., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Hillam on Hamilton Street.

Eva Girard has returned to work after being sick.

Daisy Knowles has returned after spending a week in Halifax.

Valida Dufault spent two weeks' vacation in Worcester and Providence.

Lillian Paradis is spending a few weeks' vacation with her parents in Sherbrooke, Can.

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**The Mysterious Mrs. Duberry**

Talk about enterprise, "The Hamiltonian" is there when it comes to getting subjects which have never had the camera turned on them before. If you don't recognize this lady, just drop around to Department 2 and ask for Mrs. Emma Duberry. You'll find her there hard at work every day.



Hamilton Gardens Produce the Goods and Hamilton Gardeners Can Prove It

Hamilton home gardeners, more than three hundred in number, have every reason to feel proud of the excellent work they have done during the present season. Nowhere in Southbridge can a finer group of gardens be shown than are to be found at the various tracts allotted to the workers by the Company, and the most successful season since the institution of the home-garden movement is assured. In order that those in charge of the gardens may be able to form some idea of the quantity and value of the products raised in Hamilton gardens and thus determine in some measure how much of helpfulness they are proving to the workers, each employee who has been allotted and has cultivated a garden this year is requested to keep an accurate record of the produce gathered from his garden and its value and to submit this record to Mr. Herbert F. Ryan, garden supervisor.

The interest and faithfulness in the work which have been shown by the employees of various ages and nationalities have been a source of much satisfaction to the officials of the Company, who intend to co-operate in every possible manner in making Hamilton home gardens the best in Southbridge as well as a material help and benefit to all who are willing to work them.

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**The Safety Committee Get Busy and Submit the Following Suggestions**

FOR THE PREVENTION OF ACCIDENTS, USE CAUTION AND JUDGMENT IN YOUR WORK AT ALL TIMES.

1. Do not CLEAN or REPAIR any MACHINE while it is in MOTION.
2. Do not USE any MACHINE unless THOROUGHLY INSTRUCTED by your Foreman.
3. When any machine or tool is not in GOOD WORKING ORDER, notify your Foreman at once and do not use it until it works properly.
4. Do not PLACE LOOSE TOOLS and MACHINE PARTS where they may be knocked or jarred into machinery in motion.
5. Workmen USING EMERY WHEELS must WEAR GOGGLES.
6. In rolling a Sheave, Pulley, or Gear over the floor, always WALK BEHIND IT.
7. Shop Cleaners must NOT GET IN or ON MACHINES to clean away borings and dirt.
8. ELECTRICIANS ONLY are allowed to make repairs and adjustments to ELECTRICAL APPARATUS.
9. Workmen must use great care in OPERATING ELECTRICAL SWITCHES or other ELECTRICAL APPARATUS.

The Safety Committee has recently been reorganized. Not many new devices have been installed during the past three months, since the departure of Mr. Dale, but the present committee hopes to complete the work of safeguarding all machines as soon as possible. At present they have started work on all the dangerous places now left in the Lower Mill and will have them finished within the next few weeks.



Rodolph Lusignan has a dandy garden in back of his house, where his children Leo and Irene play. They have bunny rabbits of their own, which they are showing around the tomato garden.

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They can't hope to make everything foolproof, but expect employees to use a reasonable amount of caution. They request overseers and second hands to make any suggestions which they think desirable to the Safety Committee.

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A very romantic wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sigden Busfield, Sunday, August 29, when his cousin, Miss Ethel Walton, was married to Mr. Joseph William Robinson; and no doubt it was a case of love at first sight, as they first met on board ship coming to this country a few weeks ago. Mr. Robinson has been in every seaport, of any size, in the world and when the World War broke out in 1914 enlisted in the English navy, serving at the Gallipoli expedition, and was torpedoed four different times. One time was in the North Sea three hours before help came. He finally became an officer on one of the White Star liners, where he met his affinity, and in coming home from New York was in the train wreck at Meriden, Conn., when his coach was tipped over, the engineer being killed. He must have a charmed life in more than one way. Mr. and Mrs. Robinson will be working for the Hamilton Woolen Company in a short time, and we wish them a life of joy and happiness.

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William Bates and Harry Widdowson motored to Bristol and Providence, Saturday, August 28, staying over until Sunday. Thomas Morrissey took advantage of the ten-day shutdown and spent his vacation with friends in Pittsfield.

Arthur Angier followed the crowd on a ten days' trip to Canada.

Napoleon Blair spent two weeks the past month in Chicago, visiting his son.

Paul Scharschmidt and John Walsh left Wednesday morning, September 1, for Providence and after a few days at the beaches journeyed on to Boston to watch Babe Ruth swat 'em over the fence.

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The Top Mill is well represented in the medical line, as Mr. Richard Yates is also a graduate of a first-aid course. We also have plenty of tools to work with, such as saws, hammers, and files, so no one needs to be bashful in asking for first aid.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Yates have returned from their two weeks' vacation, which was spent at Revere Beach.

The Misses Alice and Cecelia Greenwood, with Alma Lamoureux, returned from a two weeks' outing at Alum Pond.

Miss Antonia Veau has returned from a three weeks' vacation spent in Canada.



## Tennis Has Been Popular This Year



Tennis has been given quite a whirl this season. Under the direction of the tennis committee, George Watson, Grace Templeman and Angela Gareau, a very successful tournament has been played off and in fact the courts have been busy all season. The tennis fans have made tennis one of our leading sports and we now have some of the most experienced and expert tennis players in town representing the Hamilton Woolen Co. A match has been arranged with the Cohassee Country Club for the near future and it is expected that next year we will have a regular tennis team which will compete with other industrial tennis teams. K. W. Crossman who is an enthusiast himself took a picture of a few of the tennis players one afternoon which is shown above. The smaller picture below was taken immediately afterwards and shows what this bunch will do to a perfectly good camera.



### Out for the Prizes

The athletic contests in which the Hamilton Club is to take part at the Sturbridge fair Saturday, September 18, are arousing much interest, and everybody will be on hand to cheer for our contestants. Their opponents will be the best men and women that the American Optical Co. can get together, and every one of the ten events scheduled will be strenuously fought out. Prizes valued at \$150 are being offered by the Agricultural Society.

The big event, of course, will be the tug-of-war. Our men are practicing several times a week, either on the Hamil-

ton athletic field or at the fair grounds. The team will be made up, with one or two exceptions, by the same men who gave such a good account of themselves at the third annual Field Day of the Club. Besides the tug-of-war, there will be other interesting contests, including two events for the ladies, a potato race and a 50-yard dash. Contestants will be limited to three in each event, excepting the relay race, in which there will be four, and the tug-of-war, in which there will be nine. Mr. Matthews is pleased with the progress that is being made in the trial meets that are being held, and the fans who have been watching closely say that the Wellsworths will have to go some to come off victors.

Mr. J. F. McNally of Department 1, Mr. Rudolph Lusignan of Department 6, and Mr. Joseph Buckley of Department 15 have been appointed to get the contestants together for try-outs and practice. Entry blanks have been distributed, and everyone who is interested to take part in the events is requested to fill in the blanks as soon as possible and hand them to anyone of the committee. Arrangements have been made to convey the contestants to the fair grounds in trucks for try-out and practice. The new athletic field has been laid out, and the contestants are requested to use it at any time. The contestants will be admitted free to the grounds, by special arrangements with the fair officials.

The Athletic Committee had a meeting on Monday, August 30, to instruct the athletes as to training and what the arrangements were for the dual meet. There was not a very large attendance; but as a number of the athletes were present, the object of the meeting was attained.

The Club voted to supply the athletes with suits in which to perform, and they will be made up with white and maroon, the Club colors.

William Hefner took his parents for a ride Sunday in his new Essex, through Pomfret and surrounding towns, a distance of 90 miles, on 2 1/2 gallons of gasoline. Some of the hills of Pike's Peak were mere grades for him, as he jumped over the top. Ask Bill about it, and who was the other party in the car?

We have a very successful canary fancier in Department 6. Mr. Bly, who is the fancier, has been very successful in his breeding of canaries this season, getting ten very good singers out of fifteen birds hatched. He has them in all colors. Anyone desiring a very nice singing canary might get in touch with Mr. Bly, as he has a few good birds for sale.

Benj. Whitehead and Earl Gregory spent the week-end at old Holland Pond, and some big fish stories have been told since their return.

Miss Ada White has returned from her vacation, spent in Boston and Providence, where she had a glorious time.

Rodolph Jalbert, the star athlete of Department 1, is to be married to Miss Winnifred Tully of Sturbridge Road on September 14, at St. Mary's Church in Southbridge. They will visit Boston on their honeymoon. Their friends wish them a long and prosperous journey through life.

Noah Trombly, Department A-1, is not at all bashful or slow, for a short time ago he took to himself a wife; and now he has got a Lizzie, "a Ford"; so girls, look out!

Theresa Proulx and Albina Larouche have returned from a week's vacation spent in the vicinity of Boston.

### Department 20 Now Has a New Boss

Mr. Ernest G. Barnes of Sturbridge has been appointed head of Department 20, succeeding Mr. Martin, transferred to the main office. Mr. Barnes came to work for the Company in this department the first of June and because of the energy displayed and the interest shown by him was the natural choice for the position. Department 20 is the link that connects the mill directly with the customer, making it of the greatest importance

that all the work done here be as nearly correct as possible, and we believe that Mr. Barnes will carry on the duties of his new position in a manner to reflect credit upon himself and the Company.

### Very Classy

The "Dyehouse Beautiful" seems to be an appropriate name to apply to the present time. For the past two years Mr. Hager and Mr. Scharsehnidt have planted a flower and vegetable garden alongside the river wall in the rear of the fancy dyehouse. It, indeed, makes a pretty sight, all in bloom and bearing good results, and is a fine example in beautifying the buildings and land. The vegetable garden contains tomatoes, cabbages, beets, celery, lettuce, and radishes, and there are about a dozen varieties of flowers. The above-named gentlemen and others are to be congratulated at the success of these gardens.

Mrs. Mary Regan and Miss Jennie Renfrew of Department 7 are spending a week at Newport.

Mr. George A. Payne attended the grand-circuit horse race at Readville with several other Southbridge men, August 31.

Nellie Renfrew of the office of Department 6 has returned to Department 7. All glad to see you back, Nellie.

The camera man is considering resigning his position on "The Hamiltonian," owing to a number of criticisms of certain pictures taken at Field Day. It looked as though he were in league with some gum concern in getting pictures for advertising purposes.

Fred Hanson's son Charles has been at the City Hospital, Worcester, for two weeks and is much improved.

Alfred Emmott, the noted farmer, visited in Charlton town this week-end, making the trip on foot. Some walker is Alfred.

## The Rulers of West Main Street



This fine-looking bevy of children are the kind that Globe Village feels proud of. They all live on West Main Street, and the picture was snapped when they

were gathered around to see what our camera man was doing on a recent visit he made to that part of the town.



## Master Dyers Who Help Make H. W. Co. Products "The Best"



Our camera man feels that he performed a clever bit of work when from ambush he snapped the above picture of Chief Dyer Karl Hager (at right) and his assistant, Paul Scharschmidt. It was at the Field Day celebration and at a mo-

ment when both gentlemen were ready for anything. What pleases the camera man especially well is that he was foiled on several previous occasions in trying to get Mr. Hager and Mr. Scharschmidt, either singly or together.

Miss Rosilda Martin spent a few days recently at Revere Beach.

Miss Marion Dumas has been visiting relatives in New Bedford.

The Misses Mary, Elizabeth, and Etta Herber are spending a two weeks' vacation with relatives in Pittsfield and North Adams.

The Misses Antoinette and Maximiline Proulx visited with friends in Springfield over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Armand Langevin and son of Newark, N. J., were the guests of Miss Helen Largess, Chapin Street, recently.

Miss Grace M. Templeman of Department 5 attended Old Home Day in Holland, remaining over the week-end.

A wagon loader has been purchased by the Company to use for loading coal into the coal cars at the power house. The tracks around the coal pile have also been extended.

Olin Jackson, our plant engineer, received a letter from Cy Merriam (Carrol F.), who a few years ago worked in the power house and made many friends here. Cy is now in France, visiting battlefields and studying French engineering methods. He was a student at Worcester Tech while working here.

The Engineering Department is installing a card-index filing system for all its blueprints and drawings.

Miss Clara A. White of Department 7 has gone on an extended auto trip to Niagara Falls, Chicago, Detroit, and expects to return home by way of Washington, D. C.

Miss Corina Perron of Department 7 was married August 30 to Amos Champeau. Department 7 extends congratulations.

Mrs. Mulvina Harvey and Mrs. Annie Bates are substituting for the girls who are taking their vacations.

Percy Whiteoak and Jack Swift, with their wives, spent a week or so motoring along the New England coast, taking in all the beaches and other places of interest. The trip was made in Mr. Whiteoak's new Overland touring car.

Emanuel Daigle is receiving congratulations on the birth of a son (Edmond George). Both mother and son are doing well, and "Jack" is all smiles; but we haven't seen any cigars yet.

All the gardeners are sporting blisters on their hands, from digging potatoes and picking tomatoes; but they are all happy, as they have had good luck with their gardens.

A new belt has been put on the generator in the Big Mill building to replace a 36-inch Dicks belt which was put on about 6 months ago. The Dicks belt was made of canvas and composition and did not prove satisfactory for use, so the company has bought a 36-inch Graton & Knight all-leather belt this time.

### Try These

There was an old jent named Randall.  
Couldn't see, so he bought a wax candle.  
He found a new dime,  
Says, "Now for a good time,"  
And with a smile to his home did ramble.

There was a young man named Watson.  
Had a straw hat, with spots on.  
Said he, "It's cold weather,  
But I don't care a feather,  
I'll wear it until it has crops on."

There was a young lady named Ryan,  
Who was courting a man named Bryan.  
Says she, "I don't want to be kissed;  
But then, if you insist,  
Heaven knows you are stronger than I am."

There was a young man named Loring,  
Who woke himself up with loud snoring.  
Said he, "I can't sleep,  
My breathing's too deep,  
For me you will soon be in mourning."

## Changes Are Being Made in the Card Department

The Card Department under Mr. Hager, overseer of dyeing and finishing, is perhaps one of the least known of any of the various departments in the mill. For years this work has been done on the south side of the old finishing room. About two months ago the cotton-warp finishing was transferred to the all-wool room on the floor above. The management decided, since the above change was made, to move the Card Department to the north side, where the light is better and also working conditions. This department does its work in seasons; namely, the fall and spring. When the season is on, in charge of Miss Mary E. Ryan, forelady, about thirty women and girls are kept busy cutting cloth and making what is known to the trade as card mailors, types, reference sheets, etc. The cards, types, etc., when finished, are shipped to the big jobbers, who pass them out to their salesmen before they start on the road to sell the Hamilton product. For the past three weeks carpenters in the employ of A. Boyer & Son have been busy making this change, building new racks to hold the card stock and tables for the ironers and card makers. The work is now completed and ready for the fall season of sample making, which will start the first or second week in September and last until the latter part of November.

The sample room, which for years has been on the top floor of the Packing and Shipping Department, will also be moved to the same floor as the Card Department, the reason being better light, and more room to show the experiments. This room will be in charge of Mr. Watson of the Designing Department.

Joe Laughane of the Stores Department has returned from his vacation, which was spent at York Beach, Me. Joe reports fine fishing, and adds: "Some swell dames at York Beach." We wonder if they are as nifty as the Rochester girls; tried to find out, but Joe would not commit himself.

Miss Corinne Perron of the burling room was married August 30 to Amos S. Champeau. There was a reception at the home of the bride, following the marriage ceremony at Notre Dame Church. Mr. and Mrs. Champeau will live on Cross Street.

Joseph Goddu, Hamilton Street, for many years a boss weaver for the Company, who still retains a lively interest in all that is doing around the plant, is proud of a crop of tobacco that he is raising in his garden; and samples that have been shown compare with anything that can be produced in the Connecticut Valley.

There has been a queer, far-away look in the eyes of several of the girls in the Planning Department and main office lately. One of the girls, who can be seen at Cedar Pond every night, when questioned in regard to it, replied, "What do you expect with six moonlight nights in succession?"

Hector Gaumond is confined to his home with nervous prostration.

Charles Spalding enjoyed his week's vacation in Providence and vicinity.

Ralph Hammond spent his vacation in motoring down at Cape Cod.

The soccer football team had their first practice Friday night, August 27, and after a preliminary kicking around of the ball two teams lined up for a game. One team was captained by Joseph Buckley and the other by Arthur Whiteoak. The latter's team won the game by a score of 2 to 1.

One of the prominent features of the game was the full-back playing of Wm. Kermack, who performed like a cup tie champion. He was a tower of strength in driving back the ball and was ably assisted by Wm. Buckingham, who played the other full-back position. As this was Buckingham's first attempt at soccer, he made a very good impression on the spectators. K. W. Crossman also looked good on the right wing, as he put up a fast game and handled the ball well.

Joseph Buckley and Arthur Whiteoak put up a fast game, opposed to each other at center forward. Walter Connors at goal made some good stops and promises to develop into a good goal tender (something the team has not had before). The Yates boys showed "pep" and got off some good kicks, and Lavallee, Paulhus, Wright, and some more of those who came out showed up well also. Manager Yates and some of the committee men were up on the field looking the teams over and were very well pleased with the showing made, and also the interest that was taken in the game. Soccer is one of the coming games in the United States, as about all the colleges have taken it up, and is a game that every one will like as soon as they learn something about it.

We hope to create enough interest in the game to be able to organize a department league, as that is the best way to develop new players; and we do not want to overlook any good material.

## Ah Ha! A Mystery Picture



We have given our readers some pictures in past issues that were well worthy the name of "Mystery Pictures," but we think the one shown above is remarkable in many ways. It is seldom that two brothers remain so closely associated through life as have these two, and it is seldom that the expressions of youth remain on the faces of the adult. While there has been considerable change in the general appearance of these two young gentlemen, we believe that every reader of this paper will be able to tell whose portraits these are and join us in wishing them continued good fortune.



## They Are Hamiltonians Now



This picture shows the students of the Lowell Textile School who have been at our plant during the summer months and who are now back at school. They are Raymond Beaven, Wilfred Freeland, Walter Douglas, and Yung Chi Wang, who is not shown, as he is holding the camera. Also shown in the picture are Arthur Cook and George Johnson, the latter a graduate of the school. Messrs. Cook and Johnson remain with us.

You may talk about your light wines and near beers, but they have nothing on the beverage for which Arthur Morine of Department 6 is the noted maker.

A. McDonald of Department 6 certainly proved that he is some diver recently. While pushing a warp truck, he took a nose dive into Mr. Morin's water pail and received a glorious shower bath. Were you thinking of Cracker Alley, Mac?

Miss Cecile Girouard of Department 6 has returned to work after a three months' absence due to sickness.

Misses Rose Loranger and Hebert, Zeb Laville, and Mr. Loranger passed the week-end recently at Riverside Park, Springfield.

Joseph Lemoine of Department 6 passed the week-end at Webster Lake.

P. Duhamel of Department 6 recently took an auto trip to Providence.

Hogan and Linblad, who have finished their three months' course in Department 6, will be replaced by McKinstry and Beck, who have been working in Department 2.

Miss Maria Cournoyer of the rewinding room in Department 6 has returned from a week's vacation spent at Marlboro, Worcester, and Nantasket Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Alphonse Narboine of Woonsocket are guests of Frank Harvey of Department 6.

William E. Bodreau of Caryville, Mass., has accepted a job as loomfixer in Department 6.

Mrs. Antoinette Archambeau of Department 6 has severed her connection with this Company.

Andia Donais of Dupaul Company and Yvonne St. Germaine of the American Optical Company have accepted positions as drop wire girls in Department 6.

Joseph Therrien has replaced E. Carette as filling boy in Department 6. E. Carette severed his connection with this Company last week.

Mr. Heroux of Nashua, N. H., has accepted a job as weaver in Department 6.

Mrs. Bonnette, weaver in Department 6, spent a week's vacation in Providence recently.

Miss Albina Peloquin of Department 5 has returned home after spending a very pleasant vacation in Canada.

Mr. Bly of Department 6 recently returned from a two weeks' vacation spent in Newark, N. J., and also Brookside, N. J.

"Some dinner" is the remark Billy Bates of the dyehouse passed to a friend the other day, just as he came out of the Hamilton Lodge, unbuckling his trousers; to the tailors so soon to have V's put in. Some champion feeders in the dyehouse, Mr. McNiven; look out for them.

Miss Mary E. Ryan, forelady of the Card Department, has returned from her vacation spent at Hampton Beach, N. H., and Boston.

Richard Morrissey and Jack Ryan spent a few days in Montreal, Can., this month. They made the journey in Mr. Ryan's Buick roadster and, according to the report, had a wonderful time. They covered the 382 miles in two days, making Glens Falls, N. Y., which is 192 miles from here, the first day. While in Glens Falls, but in somebody else's car, they were run down by a trolley car. They expect a summons as witnesses any day now, as the owners of the car are suing the trolley company. They only had to change tires five times between Glens Falls and Montreal, and after a few days' rest and recreation in "the land of the free" they returned by way of Burlington and East Manchester, Vt. From East Manchester to Westfield the Buick only hit on three, as one of the pistons went on strike. From Westfield to Palmer the lights didn't work, but the two adventurers were undaunted and arrived home with a smile on.

## One of the Very Oldest Employees



We take much pleasure in showing this photograph of Matilda McDonald, which is a splendid likeness of her in her eighty-seventh year.

Born in Canada in 1833, she came to this state when a very young girl and entered the employ of the Company in 1851 as a weaver. The overseer of weaving at that time was Mr. Plympton. Mrs. McDonald remained here until about 1900, when she finished her active years of service. At present she makes her home with an aunt, Mrs. Gagnier of Upsala Street, Worcester. Her age has had no ill effects upon her, as she still possesses good health and takes a lively interest in all her affairs.

We wish to extend to her our congratulations and hope that there are still many years allotted to her.

Miss Edna Small of the Planning Department spent a delightful vacation at Cedar Pond, where she was a guest at the cottage of Miss Edna Harwood.

Miss Frances Smith of the Planning Department has returned from a visit in Providence and to the nearby places of interest.

Superintendent Varnum passed his vacation in New York State.

Somebody has dubbed the immense coal pile on West Street "Mt. Hamilton," and it certainly does make an imposing appearance. Old employees say they never saw anything like it in all the years they have worked for the Company. And still the coal keeps coming.

Herbert Plimpton of the wool-sorting room is taking an extended vacation. He has been in the employ of the Company nearly 50 years.

Israel Leduc has accepted a job as weaver in Department 6. As Leduc is a star bowler, his addition will greatly strengthen the Department 6 team.

Sophie Plant of Department 6 has returned from a week's vacation spent at Gardner and York Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Patenaude of Department 6 spent the week-end recently at Oakland Beach, R. I. While there they had the sensation of a hydroplane ride.

E. McDonald of Department 6 recently spent a week's vacation with friends in Holyoke.

T. McDonald of Department 6 recently spent a week's vacation in Syracuse, N. Y., while there attending the Eagles' convention. He was a member of the Southbridge Aerie degree team also.

Mrs. Duteau of Department 6 has returned from a two weeks' vacation spent in Canada. The trip was made by auto.

Mr. and Mrs. George LaPlante of Department 6 spent the week-end recently with friends in Lowell and Lexington.

Mrs. St. Germaine of Department 6 spent a week's vacation recently at Nantasket Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Wallace MacLean and family spent a very enjoyable vacation at Old Orchard, Me.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Barnum and daughter Beulah attended the wedding of Mr. Barnum's niece in Adams recently, Miss Beulah being one of the bridesmaids.

Miss Annie Ryan of Department 5 is enjoying a three weeks' vacation.

Mrs. Alphonsine Anger of Department 5 is having a three weeks' vacation, visiting in Canada and other places.

Mr. E. Benj. Armstrong has returned from a very pleasant vacation spent at Pleasant View, R. I.

Mr. Arthur Varnum enjoyed the horse races at Readville recently.

Mrs. Brennan of the office force has returned from a vacation spent in Boston and vicinity. While there she visited some of the nearby beaches.

Mr. E. I. Knowles passed several delightful days at Nantasket Beach recently as a part of his vacation.

Miss Katherine Ryan came back from her holidays with an enviable tan. From the many cards that were received from her we conclude that she had a wonderful time at Hampton Beach.

Mr. Watson and Mr. Loring spent an enjoyable week under Southern skies.

Miss Dorothy Tully of the Cost Department spent her vacation at home and comes back feeling very much rested.

Miss Agnes Prendergast passed most of her time at Cedar Pond, and from all reports we rather imagine it's not a bad place to go.

## Future Hamilton Ball Players



Mrs. Emma Mooth of Department 6, whose delightful piano playing has entertained us more than once, is proud of her fine-looking sons, Oliver and Edward, twins. They are posing under the umbrella with their cousin, Rita Pleau.

One of the fastest and prettiest sets of tennis ever played around these parts was pulled off one night last week between Laughane and Wang. Laughane apparently had the set sewed up, when Wang came back strong and won five games in succession. Darkness caused the set to be called, seven all.

The spectators and tennis players are furnished a treat every night that George Watson dons the white flannels and rubber-soled shoes. George keeps things moving as chairman of the Tennis Committee and is the Johnnie Evers of tennis. Those that have seen Johnnie Evers when he was with the Cubs and later with the Braves say that he never had anything on George as a kicker.

Miss Elizabeth Herber of Department 9 is spending her vacation in Pittsfield, Mass., as the guest of a cousin who lives in that city.

Walter Conners of Department 9, with Mrs. Conners and little son, passed the vacation period as the guest of his father in Providence, Walter's home town.

Miss Nellie Brennan of Department 9 was the guest of her father at his cottage at Lead Mine Pond during the shutdown. Nellie reports a complete rest and feels fit for another year.

Miss Josie Dumas says she doesn't care what we put in "The Hamiltonian" about her. It's the correct spirit, Josie, and shows you are a good sport.

Mr. Durgin of Department 9 reports a fine catch of fish, the result of a fishing trip to Pierpoint Pond near Oxford. He came home with fifty-seven fish, mostly pickerel and perch. We think this is very near if not a record catch.

Miss Laura Albee of the girls' baseball team informs us that the girls will have their ties on their middie blouses correctly tied after this, as they have engaged Mr. Martin, who served over two years in the navy, to look after them before each game.

What was the idea of the black ribbon, with the big bow, on your manly chest, Jack? Something new in Jazz bows, or just a goat getter?



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## The Hamilton Wool Shop

### Become Acquainted with Department 1A

The study of the raw material that is used in the construction of a given product, its sources of supply and the economy of its uses, presents conditions to the manufacturer that are continually changing and which must be handled with skill if success crowns his efforts. In no branch of manufacturing are there problems greater or more complex than those found in the working of wool, and mistakes in judgment are disastrous.

Wool is produced in almost every section of the globe; and as each country presents differences of climate and soil, one from another, the wools likewise vary in character, condition, and working qualities according to the physical surroundings of the sheep and the attention they receive from their caretakers.

The manufacturer must know (1) what class of sheep will give him the fiber required for his fabrics, (2) the countries where such sheep are raised, and (3) the amount of yarn product that can be obtained from a certain weight of wool grown in one location as compared with a like quantity purchased in a different section. From the different purchases of one season he must forecast the necessary wools to use the next season; but here another factor that makes havoc of well-laid plans is the fact that in the same flock a good wool this year may be indifferent or poor next year, from causes that cannot be explained without taking up too much space.

It is necessary, therefore, that the manufacturer should not only know where to obtain stock suitable for his class of work, but over and above this knowledge he should be able to determine whether the wools shown this year are the equal of, or better than wool taken from the same flocks last year, and govern his purchases accordingly.

Assuming these conditions have all been met and that a shipment of wools has been received at the factory, the first operation which it undergoes is in the sorting room, introducing us to the "wool shop" of the Hamilton Woolen Co.

A fleece of wool varies in its different sections to a marked degree, as regards the fineness of fiber, length and strength of staple, and heavy or light condition; but to the practiced eye the divisions are plainly seen when the fleece is spread flat on the sorting board. It is the work of the sorter to separate these qualities, as they are termed, placing a given quality from one fleece with portions of equal fineness taken from other fleeces, repeating the process until the whole shipment has been divided into various piles that in some mills are called by fanciful names, but in most places are simply numbered and labeled matchings.

## Soccer Season Now in Full Swing— Games at Hamilton Field Draw Large Crowds



Back Row, Left to Right: Richard Yates, manager, Joseph Firth, Raymond Yates, Percy Whiteoak, Joseph Robinson, E. Benj. Armstrong, agent, Walter Connors, Joe Brown, J. W. Hillam, K. W. Crossman, Robt. Kershaw, Wm. Kermack. Front row: Joe Buckley, Wilfred Yates, T. Leduc, Arthur Whiteoak, W. P. Lavalley, Aime Latoille, John Rowley.

The opening game of soccer football in the Triangle Soccer Football League was played at Hamilton Field between the Goodyear Cotton Mills, Inc., and the



The Goodyear Team

Hamilton Woolen Co. The Goodyear team won 2 to 1 after one of the fastest games ever seen in Southbridge. The

Hamilton team played a good game, considering the uncertainty of their lineup and the amount of practice they had. The outstanding features of the game were the fullback playing of Joe Brown and Percy Whiteoak, and Walter Connors' goaling. Walter certainly played a star game for a new man at that position and, if he can

keep up the pace he set, will be the Babe Ruth of our league at goal. Arthur Whiteoak scored the goal for the Hamilton team by a pretty shot from about 15 yards in front of the goal. Captain Joe Buckley and the rest of the boys played a fast game and made it interesting for their opponents. Robert Kershaw refereed the game.



Mr. Armstrong Opens the Season and the First Game on Hamilton Field

While the work, in itself, is simple, it takes considerable time to make even a passable sorter; but for close work, where qualities are kept within narrow limits, the time required to make a first-class workman is measured by years, and many fail to reach that standard.

After the wool has been sorted the several qualities pass into the hands of the overlookers, whose duties are to rectify any mistakes and see that each sort is up to the mark demanded by the manufacturer.

When the H. W. Co. was incorporated, there were three sorters, J. P. Stedman, Levi Parks, and Dea. Henry Fiske. In 1836 Parks had been replaced by Samuel

Frost, and Pliny Groves was an addition to the force. The amount of wool used that year was 120,000 pounds of Saxony and American. The American wool was probably drawn from the surrounding country, as almost every farmer of any size supported a flock of sheep. The H. W. Co. at a later period owned a large number of sheep, which had the run of the Company's wild pastures in Breakneck during the summer, but were brought to the village in cold weather. Old residents will probably remember the barn on Gilmore Street (?) where these animals were wintered.

To meet the changes made in fabrics during the existence of the H. W. Co.,

many different wools have been used, drawn from all quarters of the world. To-day, Buenos Ayres, Montevideo, and New Zealand supply the material used in the mill, and the wool room has expanded from four sorters in 1836 to twenty sorters and two overlookers in 1920. These twenty men do the work of one hundred and sixty sorters of the year 1836 and the equivalent of about 5,000,000 pounds of the fine wools then in use.

The question will naturally arise, How is it possible for the workman of today to be eight times as efficient as the sorter of long ago, when the work of both periods is admitted to be performed by hand?

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## Hamilton Wool Shop

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The answer to this query is that improved machinery in mill processes does away with a portion of the labor that used to be necessary; but the great percent of gain lies in the highly organized system of handling wool adopted by the wool trade, whereby a manufacturer can purchase in the market any grade or style he desires, with the least loss as to waste, or yield to qualities not suitable for his fabrics. Thus by cutting out all unnecessary labor the workman is enabled to make every move count for production.

The personnel of the wool room has been and is today of the highest order. One hundred years ago the wool sorter was an aristocrat among the operatives of a mill, his ordinary working suit being of black broadcloth, with a high silk hat usually perched on the back of his head when going to or returning from his labors.

A condition that placed him in a class by himself was the fact that he worked by the piece; and so long as he and his companions produced enough sorts to keep the mill running, his comings and goings were unnoticed by the management. As a result of this custom, while mill operatives worked 14, 12, 11, and 10 hours per day, according as hours of labor changed for the better, the wool sorter never worked over 10 hours per day, and oftener less. Still another agency operated to shorten his working hours. Up to the present time no artificial light has been invented whereby wool can be closely sorted. In the short days of winter, actual sorting is very much restricted in time; and even in a summer shower, work must be held up on account of inability to judge correctly the relative degrees of fineness.

With these advantages to its credit the trade of wool sorting was attractive and drew into its ranks some of the best people in the village. Through the character and intelligence of the sorters the wool shop became a place where public opinion was moulded to an appreciable extent; and it was a common saying for years, politically speaking, "As goes the wool shop, so goes the town"—a condition that certainly does not exist today.

The period when this influence became the strongest was during the free-soil agitation and its corollaries, secession and reconstruction. During those anxious years there was a group of sorters whose wide reading, good judgment, and ability



A General View of the Wool Room

to discuss questions in a logical manner made the wool room a kind of clearing house where people from every part of the mill would drop in occasionally for a few minutes and listen to or take part in the debates over the burning questions of the day. These sorters were sternly patriotic men whose spirit is best exemplified by the case of James Coucher.

Coucher was a young Englishman who had recently become naturalized. He left the wool room shortly after the close of the war and purchased a farm on the line of the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad in Missouri. His neighbors were Southern people who were still "unreconciled." The first Fourth of July after his arrival, Coucher raised the Stars and Stripes in his yard. It stirred up a storm of indignation among the older residents, who sent to him a delegation demanding that he haul his flag down or else it would be taken down for him. The answer Coucher returned was: "Gentlemen, that flag is the flag of my adopted country. The first one who attempts to haul it down I will drop in his tracks!" As Coucher had by that time become known as a determined man, no further attempt was made to restrict his patriotism.

Given a number of men of this caliber, it is not hard to imagine the amount of influence they would exert in a community. As a testimony to the desire for greater

knowledge on the part of the sorters, there is at this day in the wool room, on a desk where it is within the reach of all, an unabridged copy of Webster's Dictionary, bought by the workmen in 1852. This book has been carefully handled, but constant usage for 68 years has reduced it to a mass of leaflets. It is still complete, nevertheless.

Some while back, we were on the point of being introduced to the "wool shop," but up to the present we have seen nothing of it. Let us hasten to enter and become acquainted with one of the pleasantest and most convenient wool rooms in the United States. Three years ago the building that had been used as a sorting room for over 60 years was abandoned, and the industry was transferred to quarters prepared for it in what used to be known as the New Mill.

The sorting room proper is about 200 feet in length by 70 in width, without a single post in its broad extent to interfere with the passing truck or obstruct the view over any part of the room. All four sides have plenty of windows, giving an abundance of light and assuring perfect ventilation. There are 25 sorting boards on the north side of the room, with a window to each one. A few of these boards are equipped for the handling of mohair. A short distance to the rear of this line of boards are traps through which the sorted

wool is dropped into bins built on the floor below, where it is stored until called for by an order from the Top Mill. Everything is arranged with economy of labor in view, and the floor space is so large that the odds and ends of lots can be taken care of without extra handling.

In the "Deserted Village," Goldsmith, when enumerating the virtues of the beloved pastor, says of his flock as they listened to his words of wisdom, that

"Still the wonder grew,  
How one small head  
Could carry all he knew."

Much the same feeling comes over the one who revisits the deserted (?) wool room at the "Big Mill" as, standing in the doorway, he notes its contracted dimensions. The longer he looks, the greater becomes his wonder that work of the magnitude shown by the records could have been carried on in such cramped quarters. But the old shop with its history of successes and failures, its advantages and disadvantages, has been numbered with the things of the past; the new one is an accomplished fact. With abundance of floor space and every facility for handling a large amount of stock, the new room is prepared for the expansion of the future which its designers are sure will come when the domestic affairs of the country shall have returned to normal conditions.

The soccer football team conducted a social dance in the recreation room of the Hamilton Woolen Co., on Friday evening, September 24, which was well attended; and all reported a very good time.

Alfred Emmott of Department 1A, the Charlton farmer, is entertaining relatives from New Jersey. Just the place to spend a vacation and get fat, if cream, eggs, milk, and vegetables will do it.

Fred Walters of Department 1A spent Sunday in Providence not long since.

Wm. Henderson attended the funeral of his sister in Matawan, N. J., September 19.

Mr. H. O. Jackson and family spent a week's vacation in and around Peterboro, N. H., making the trip in their new Oakland.

A. W. Hanks, overseer of the power house, has returned from a short vacation.

A new concrete loading platform has been completed on the pond side of the packing room. The platform is housed over and is large enough for easy handling of large cases. A new runway has also been built between the packing room and the cotton mill.

C. H. Mathews of the Engineering Department was laid up for a couple of weeks this month with a bad knee. Mr. Mathews had previously strained the ligaments and while coaching some of the athletes for the track meet he brought back his old trouble.

The fire pumps and apparatus were given the annual inspection by the state inspector recently, and everything was found to be in good working order.



The Blending Bins Where the Different Sorts Are Stored



## Hamilton Club Track Team Loses Hard Fought Meet



Back Row, Left to Right: C. Pleau, Walter Connors, George Gotgens, Arthur Whiteoak  
Front Row: Jack Moriarty, John Brennan, Kenneth Crossman, T. Leduc

The athletic dual track meet between the Wellsworth A. A. and the Hamilton Club, held at the Sturbridge Fair on September 18, 1920, resulted in a win for the Wellsworth A. A. by a score of 54 to 28 points. All the contests were close and exciting, with the admirers of both teams rooting hard for the contestants. The star performer for the Hamilton Club was Walter Connors. Connors captured the 100-yard dash, the high jump, and was one of the winning relay-team entrants. The stars for the Wellsworth A. A. were Gerrish, who captured the half mile, the 120-yard hurdles, and third in the broad jump. Scheuer of the Wellsworth A. A. was first in the 220-yard dash, running broad jump, and second in the 100-yard dash.

In the girls' contests the only points

scored for the Hamilton Club were made by Agnella Gareau, who finished second in the 50-yard dash. As we lost 15 points in these two events, it gave the Wellsworth A. A. a lead that we could not overcome. The tug-of-war was won by the Wellsworth A. A., after a hard pull of three minutes, by about 18 inches. Our men were greatly outweighed, but gave a good account of themselves before they were beaten. On the relay race, our boys showed their class by winning the event with at least 30 yards to spare. The Wellsworth A. A. won 6½ firsts, 2 seconds, and 5 thirds, while the Hamilton Club won 2½ firsts, 4 seconds, and 2 thirds.

The summary:

100-Yard Dash—First, Connors of the H. C.; second, Scheuer of the W. A. A.;

third, Ravenelle of the W. A. A. Time, 10 4-5 seconds.

220-Yard Dash—First, Scheuer of the W. A. A.; second, Ravenelle of the W. A. A.; third, Leduc of the H. C. Time, 25 1-5 seconds.

880-Yard Run—First, Gerrish of the W. A. A.; second, Moriarty of the H. C.; third, Houlberg of the W. A. A. Time, 2 minutes 12 1-5 seconds.

120-Yard Hurdles—First, Gerrish of the W. A. A.; second, Crossman of the H. C.; third, Pleau of the H. C. Time, 20 seconds.

Half-Mile Relay—Won by the Hamilton Club: Crossman, J. Brennan, Connors, and Leduc. Time, 1 minute 38 seconds.

50-Yard Dash for Girls—First, Miss Perry of the W. A. A.; second, Miss Gareau of the H. C.; third, Miss Dionne of the W. A. A. Time not taken.

Potato Race—First, Miss Coutu of the W. A. A.; second, Miss Perry of the W. A. A.; third, Miss Dionne of the W. A. A. Time not taken.

Tug-of-War—Won by the W. A. A. 18 inches.

Running Broad Jump—First, Scheuer of the W. A. A.; second, Brennan of the H. C.; third, Gerrish of the W. A. A. Distance, 19 feet 3½ inches.

Running High Jump—Connors of the H. C. and Cushman of the W. A. A. tied for the first place, 5 feet 1 inch. First and second points divided. Russell of the W. A. A. was third. On jump-off, Connors won first prize.

The officials of the meet were as follows: Starter, Col. John Herbert of Worcester; chief judge, J. Fred Powers of Worcester. Associate judges for the Hamilton Club were Joseph Brown and Joseph Laughnane; associate judges for the Wellsworth A. A. were Ernest Hall and William Sansouci. The timer for the Hamilton Club was Wm. Olney, and for the Wellsworth A. A., Dana White. Clerk of course for the Hamilton Club was George Watson, and for the Wellsworth A. A., Herbert C. Monroe. The committee in charge of the Hamilton athletes were J. F. McNally, Rodolphe Lusignan, and Joseph Buckley.

A wagon loader is now in operation on the coal pile which loads the coal boxes for the boiler room in jig time. It is an arrangement of a chain of buckets which carry the coal up and drop it in a chute which leads to the boxes.

Large tanks are to be installed at the Top Mill and at the Middle Mill for the storage of olive oil. The olive oil in the future will be stored in these tanks and piped directly to the emulsion tanks. This not only reduces the cost of handling the oil but also keeps it away from extreme temperature, which is harmful.

Five inches of rain fell in the heavy rain of September 30, and some little damage was done around town by washouts. Our new ball field suffered a little.

Mrs. E. Be'bo and Miss Demarius have both returned to their duties in Department 6 after a few weeks' vacation spent in Ware, Worcester, and Marlboro.

Mrs. Emerentine Mooth has severed her connections with Department 6 and is now working in the spinning room.



"All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy." Therefore, this being the opening of the hunting season, Mr. Shatts and his friend Mr. Underwood hied themselves into the woods to find the trail of the deer and for the best cover for birds. All the information we can get from them, as to where they went, is—"Over there."

But surmising from the few remarks they drop, pigs and crows were about the only game located; but that, perhaps, may be a cover-up, as they seem mighty secret.

Walter Metcalfe and George Sanderson went on a trip to Lowell recently and outside of two blow-outs had a very pleasant trip.

Tom Muleahy likes South Worcester so well he works there daytimes and spends some of his evenings there—There is a reason.

Pat Nugent went on an auto trip to one of the pleasure resorts recently. Since his return he has been under the weather, so he says. Scanty bathing suits upset him, but Pat is a good sport. He says he is willing to go into the "swim" any time, summer or winter.

If anyone doubts Mr. Beck's ability as a bicycle rider, he is willing to give an exhibition, any noontime. He has some clever stunts which he is willing to perform. Those who have seen him perform say his stunts are worth while seeing.

Our modest Mr. Muleahy refused to be interviewed for this issue of "The Hamiltonian." At this particular time he has a grouch against all reporters, as his only remark was, "All reporters are full of bunk." But we expect to have some real news about him soon—"Nuff said."

The old H. C. L. doesn't affect Riverside, for Miss Blanche Kopka has changed her name to Mrs. Joseph Branks. But she is still one of the Riversides, for she expects to return to her old position.

Mrs. Annie Saskiewack is spending a few weeks in Chicago.

We are informed that it is whispered in polite society that Miss Margaret Ayers and Miss Susie McKee are contemplating a change—in name.

The drawing room is rejoicing because Mrs. Myrtle Gallagher has returned to her old position.

Miss Arcelina Ravenelle has returned to work after being out a few days with a cold.

"I'm always falling in love with some other fellow's girl," is what John Roan of Department 6 is singing these days. So look out, fellows; he may get yours next. Rumor has it that Roan was seen with another fellow's girl recently near Cliff Street hill. Who was she, John?

Miss Rose Plante of Department 6 has returned to work after a two weeks' absence due to the sickness of her mother.

Miss Goddie of Department 6 recently attended the annual millinery opening and banquet at Boston.

A. McDonald has severed his connections with Department 6.



Back Row, Left to Right: C. H. Mathews, Joe Laughnane, Wm. Olney, Rudolph Lusignan  
Front Row: Harry Widdowson, Joe Buckley, Harry Wright. J. F. McNally is also a Member of the Committee



## Manufacturers' Association Entertainments

The Manufacturers' Association of Southbridge is repeating this year the series of entertainments which proved to be a great success last year, as was demonstrated by the large attendance and the favorable reports heard on all hands.

The program this year will consist of four of the best attractions obtainable, beginning November 18 with the Grand Opera Concert Quartette, a company the personnel of which is selected from the highest type of singers to be found.

The second entertainment will be Kay-em's Feature Musicians, a company of young men representing the last word in instrumental music; December 14.

On February 15, Dr. S. Parkes Cadman, one of the greatest preachers of the present day, will furnish the entertainment; and on March 31 the course will present its last entertainment, the Bostonia Sextette. This sextette is one of the best musical combinations on the platform today and no doubt will call out a record audience.

The course will be held in the Town Hall, and admission will be 50 cents for each entertainment, or \$1.50 for a season ticket.

Band concerts at our end of town were noticeable by their absence during the season just passed; but if some of the dreams that our musicians have ever materialize, the Hamiltons may have a brass band of their own, and we can have concerts whenever we like. There is good material for a brass band around the plant, and some day one may be organized; but at present there is no real movement in that direction. Our orchestra, with Mr. Watson at its head, is in pretty good demand for dances, showing what can be done in the musical line when an effort is made.

All of the gardeners of Department 6 report a good harvest.

Mike Ahearn raised some very fine black potatoes in his garden this year; and if any one can beat them, he would like to know it.

Ralph Arnold spent a very pleasant vacation down Cape Cod way. When asked about it, Ralph said, "Oh, I had a swell time"; and he said it as if he meant it.

Leona Marchesseault and Olivine Paul of Department 9 went to Worcester last Sunday to visit Miss Marchesseault's niece, who is recovering from an operation for appendicitis at St. Vincent's Hospital. The trip was made in a new Reo limousine.

Miss Emily Daigneault, for the past ten years employed in the Finishing Department, resigned her position last month and left Southbridge for Boston, where she will make her home with her sister.

Ted Marchesseault and Wilfred Paulus are back in Department 9. Both of these boys are good bowlers and will add greatly to the strength of the bowling team from this department.

The Misses Evelyn and Nolia Proulx attended the fair at Springfield last week. How did you get there, Evelyn, in the Packard Baby Grand, Chevrolet, or the Tin Lizzie?

About every branch of athletics is represented in our summer sports and activities. Now, why not a skating club for the winter? There was a time when the big pond used to be black with skaters; in fact, that being the only place in other years where skating was to be found. A return to the good old custom would be pleasing to many. About every night when the skating was good, a big bonfire was started along the shore somewhere, and hundreds of young people enjoyed its warmth and cheer. Of course, it may be too much to expect that a toboggan club could be organized, yet it is among the possibilities.

Mr. Durgin, of Department 9, and family enjoyed an auto trip over the Mohawk trail last week.

The Misses Josephine Dumas and Bessie Mountain spent a few days in New York City recently, making the trip by auto. While in the big town they took in the Hippodrome, the Scandals of 1920, and went slumming. Some burg, is the verdict of both the young ladies.

Dorothy Rubenstein, formerly with the A. O. Co., is now working in Department 9.

Miss Elizabeth Buggy has returned to work in the finishing room after an absence of nearly a year. Miss Buggy had a leg broken when an automobile struck her and knocked her down on the Sturbridge road last fall.

The following ladies of Department 9 enjoyed a very pleasant trip over the Mohawk trail last week-end: Nolia Proulx, Nellie Brennan, Josephine Dumas, Susie Flood, Elizabeth Herber, and Evelyn Proulx. The party left here at 9 A. M. and stopped in North Adams over night. While in North Adams they visited Miss Herber's sister, a former Hamilton employee who is now a nun and Sister Superior of the Sisters of St. Joseph in that city.

Barney Perry of Department 8 got so tired of telling about his great luck with spuds to his skeptical shopmates that he decided to let them judge for themselves as to whether he stretched the story or not. So one fine morning Barney came in loaded to the gunwales with potatoes. There were small ones, big ones, and small big ones. Some that wouldn't fit in an ordinary boiling pot, and others that could easily slip down the spout of a tea kettle. All agreed that he was right in his story, as he covered both ends and the middle of it with facts. Peter Cooney smiles about the incident and says you can't match a spud story with a fish one. They say the big one was a real big one, and one bright fellow suggested that James Brown might be interested if Barney would save the bark so that a lookout boat could be made out of it for the big pond. Still another mentioned that the tubes should be kept, as Davy Simpson could easily turn down a few rolls for the squeezer; and one bright bird chirped in with the snappy idea that the vines be guarded, as the Engineering Department could use them to advantage in draining off the ball field. At any event, Barney proved his case and was satisfied.

Miss Agnella Gareau spent her vacation in Norwich, Conn.

Several of the members of the office force attended the Eastern States Exhibition at Springfield, Mass. Among them were Mr. Charles Johnson, Mr. William Loring, Mr. Frank Randall, and Miss Agatha Kelly.

Mr. George S. Rich, purchasing agent, spent the week-end in New York City recently, experiencing the thrill of putting up at a hotel opposite the post office building on the night that the latter was to have been blown up.

Miss Catherine Phalen spent a few days with her father in Norwich, Conn., a short while ago.

Miss Edna Small of the Planning Department left us Saturday, October 2, to take up a course at the comptometer school in the Hitchcock Building in Springfield, Mass.

## Sticking on the Job

I

It isn't men of genius  
This giddy country needs,  
Not men to stage us miracles  
Nor pull astounding deeds;  
But the ordinary fellow,  
Executive or slob—  
Just the ordinary fellow  
Who will stick upon the Job.

II

Nations thrive or flivver,  
They never quite know how;  
But interrogating history  
From Genesis to Now  
We find their fate has always  
Turned upon the mob—  
The ordinary fellow  
And how he did his Job.

III

'Twas similar, they tell us,  
Two years ago in France  
And on the seas and everywhere  
The boys kicked Heinie's pants—  
They were ordinary fellows,  
The doughboy and the gob,  
Just ordinary fellows,  
But they stuck upon the Job.

IV

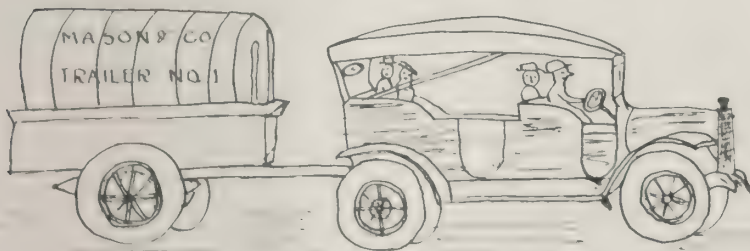
It isn't hifalutin,  
Economic schemes  
We need, nor men to peddle us  
Iridescent dreams,  
But just a lot of fellows  
Like Bill and Jim and Bob—  
They're ordinary geezers,  
But they stick upon the Job!

V

It isn't giddy prophets  
That the country really needs,  
It isn't men of miracles  
To spring amazing deeds,  
But ordinary fellows,  
Sams and Petes and Bobs—  
Just ordinary fellows  
Who will STICK to their jobs.

*Courtesy of the Evening Sun.*

## Southbridge to Florida Limited



We are losing one of our wool sorters, Harry Mason. Mr. Mason has been working for the Hamilton Woolen Co. in this department for more than thirty years. We are all sorry to lose one who is held in high esteem by all, and he will leave many friends in Southbridge when he takes up his new duties in Miami, Fla. Mr. Mason is to make the trip in his machine, with a trailer equipped with camping outfit for the journey. He will be accompanied by

Mrs. Mason and two friends, Mr. and Mrs. Butler of Boston, Mass. The distance to Miami is 2,400 miles. They will travel through New York State, Pennsylvania, Washington (D. C.), Maryland, Virginia, North and South Carolina, and Georgia to Florida. They will stop at the principal cities to visit the places of interest. We all wish Mr. Mason success and a splendid trip to the Southlands.

The Belt Shop bowling team defeated the Dyehouse team on September 23, at the Pastime alleys, by a score of 434 to 411. Dick Morrissey of the belt shop was the star of the match with 93, 113, and 90 to his credit. This is the second time the dyers have been defeated by the Belt Shop, and the latter are anxiously awaiting the supper and theater at the expense of the losers. According to Morrissey, Bates—captain of the Dyehouse team, has not been seen in the vicinity of the Belt Shop since the match.

Peloquin	100	75	88	263
Scharsmith	82	65	77	224
Bates	81	72	88	241
Marchessault	79	64	93	236
Gauthier	92	82	92	266

Totals,	434	358	438	1,230
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Hampson	73	79	84	236
R. Morrissey	93	113	90	296
E. Ravenelle	88	81	87	255
Ray Morrissey	77	79	94	250
A. Copper	80	97	81	258

Totals,	411	449	436	1,296
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Right There With the Noise



The Drum Corps Puts Pep in the Soccer Games

Miss Ida Myiner of No. 5 spinning room was recently married to Oscar Bourassa, son of Mr. George Bourassa who has charge of No. 1 draw room.

We certainly would have some soccer team if a few of our tug-of-war champions would turn out.

The Goodyear men may have gotten more goals than our boys, but by the sounds that came from them they also got most of the bumps. Two goals, and one was not so bad. Pretty good, we thought, for our first game.

Miss Emelia McDonald of Department 4 passed the week-end recently in Clinton and Boston, visiting friends.

Miss Lillian Paradis has returned from Sherbrooke, Can., having spent two weeks with relatives.

Miss Madeline Bird enjoyed two weeks' vacation passed in Providence.

Mr. Wilfred Vreeland spent a week in South Berwick, Me., visiting his parents and friends.

Miss Angelina Remillard visited her

sister in Boston on Labor Day and also enjoyed an automobile trip to New Bedford, Mass.

John Brennan of Department 5 spent a very pleasant vacation in New York.

Miss Antonette Roux of Department 5 spent the week-end in West Barrington recently.

Miss Irene Demers of Department 5 has returned after spending a three months' vacation in Canada.

The Misses Antoinette and Maximuline Proulx attended the Springfield Exposition recently.

Albert Counoyer has returned from Canada and is working in Department 5.

Miss Grace Templemen attended the Springfield Exposition and spent a few days with friends in that city.

Louis Langevin of Chelsea has been visiting at the home of Flora Langevin, Main Street.

Miss Olga Page of the Payroll Department has returned to work after a quiet vacation spent for the most part at home.

Hamilton Bowling League Rules, 1920

1. The League shall be known as Hamilton Bowling League. Only employees of Company, and members of Hamilton Club in good standing, will be allowed to bowl.

2. All games to start at 7 o'clock sharp, on date and alleys specified on schedule. If a full team is not on deck by 7.15, the game will start, using average men or women, who will have to finish any string they start to bowl.

3. A new employee of the Company will not be allowed to bowl until he or she has worked for the Company at least one week and can also show that they are a member of the Hamilton Club for same length of time.

4. Any bowler will not be allowed to bowl off his or her three strings or one string, but will have to remain through the game, taking their turn, or else team takes average of 70 for this man, as interest in game is lacking when one wishes to bowl off a string to go away, and is not fair to either team.

5. A sub. can be put in for each string if a captain so desires, but must bowl the whole string.

6. The price of bowling this year will be 45 cents for three strings. A rebate will be given us at end of season, which will amount to over \$100, which amount will be used for a banquet and social time in recreation room.

7. The men's teams will bowl at Pastime alleys, Monday and Wednesday nights.

The girls' teams will bowl at the Hippodrome alleys, every Wednesday night.

8. These above rules and regulations have been approved by the Bowling Committee, at meeting held Monday, September 27. The committee reserves the right to change these rules.

9. There are twelve men's teams and four girls' teams. Bowling season will last from October 4 to May 1 for men, three times around; 33 weeks. The same for girls if they desire it.

10. Bowling Committee: W. Kreimendahl, chairman; Frank Darling, secretary; E. Busfield, Paul Scharschmidt, F. Greenwood, Irene Salva, and Laura Albee.

Bowling Committee,  
F. H. DARLING, Secretary.

Hamilton Bowling League Schedule

PASTIME ALLEYS					
October 4 to December 15, 1920					
Date	Day	Dept.	vs.	Dept.	Alleys
Oct. 18	Mon.	1	vs.	5-14	5-6
		16	"	2	3-4
		6	"	10	1-2
Oct. 20	Wed.	8	"	18	1-2
		9	"	12	5-6
		15	"	17	3-4
Oct. 25	Mon.	5-14	"	18	5-6
		9	"	15	1-2
		10	"	12	3-4
Oct. 27	Wed.	1	"	6	1-2
		16	"	8	3-4
		2	"	17	5-6
Nov. 1	Mon.	10	"	18	5-6
		17	"	9	1-2
		15	"	5-14	3-4
Nov. 3	Wed.	1	"	8	5-6
		16	"	6	3-4
		2	"	12	1-2

Nov. 8	Mon.	1	"	9	3-4
		16	"	17	5-6
		2	"	10	1-2
Nov. 10	Wed.	12	"	5-14	5-6
		15	"	8	1-2
		18	"	6	3-4
Nov. 15	Mon.	1	"	17	1-2
		16	"	18	5-6
		2	"	9	3-4

Schedule arranged by F. H. Darling, secretary, Bowling League.

There has been a recent and important addition to the working force of the Employment Office. Miss Eleanor McKenna, a young lady from the "quiet" town of Milford, who was formerly employed by the American Optical Co., has thrown in her lot with us and has come to live at the Hamilton Lodge, where she acts as cash clerk during the "Rush Hour."

According to "hearsay," Miss McKenna is quite an accomplished young lady, being an expert at cooking, especially canning and preserving. She is also a good pianist and a very interesting conversationalist.

Our friend Adolph Flagg has some beautiful lemon trees in his garden this year. Basil Proulx of the blacksmith shop gave him some seed last spring, which he told Flagg were fine lemon seeds, and gave full directions for planting. Of course, Mr. Flagg expected a lemon grove by this time, but now he has a fine patch of sunflowers. Something wrong somewhere, Flagg. Paul Grenier almost got in on this, as he asked Mr. Flagg for some of the seed; but the lemon fancier wanted to be exclusive.

Last month's meeting of the Hamilton Club was one of the most interesting so far held from point of entertainment. Stereopticon lantern slides were shown, which included over fifty pictures of the Field Day as well as a great many humorous slides. The entertainment was opened by chairman of the Entertainment Committee, Ralph Arnold. The words of "America" were flashed on the screen, and everyone rose and sang heartily; then for an hour or more everyone's interest was centered on the screen while the Field Day events were brought back to us. Loud applause greeted many of the scenes shown, especially as pictures were shown of the prize winners. In making up the slides there was one mistake, but which was understood by all. The picture of Telesphore Leduc was flashed on the screen as being the highest prize winner, which honor of course belonged to Walter Connors of Department 9. Leduc, however, was tied for second place with K. W. Crossman. After the pictures were over, the floor was cleared for dancing; and music was furnished by the Globe Orchestra. Dancing was in order until eleven o'clock, when the large crowd which attended went home happy.

The Junk Man

Breathes there a man with soul so dead  
He can't get safety through his head,  
And will not boost the work along  
Because he thinks the cause is wrong?

If such a man be in your plant,  
What's the reason that we can't  
Treat him as junk—no more worth while—  
And put him on the old scrap pile?

THE HAMILTON CLUB

WANTS EVERY ONE IN THE MILL  
TO BE A MEMBER.

THE CLUB SUPPORTS ALL OUR  
ATHLETICS AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES.

SUPPORT THE CLUB!

BIG DOINGS THIS WINTER! WATCH!



## The 1920 Baseball Team



Left to Right, Standing: Joseph Paradise, Thomas Brennan, Wilfred Vreeland, Eugene Lange, Claudio Pleau, Telesphore Leduc. Kneeling: Francis Greenwood, Wilfred Pelletier, Joseph Brown, Raymond Beaven, John Brennan. Not included in the picture but one of the team is William Buckingham.

Here are the warriors of the diamond; and though their record collectively may not be as brilliant as their ardent supporters might wish for, still man for man they are deserving of the highest praise for their dogged determination in fighting against heavy odds. "The Hamiltonian" takes pride in showing the team picture. The players showed that they had the real Hamilton spirit by carrying on till the last,

when they finished in a blaze of glory by defeating Bigelow-Hartford of Clinton 2 to 1 in the finest game of the season. The supporters and well-wishers of the team were legion. One did not have to look far or listen hard to know that with the baseball fans in general the Hamilton team played a big favorite. Next year, with a home of our own on Hamilton Field, better things can be expected of the team.

Malcolm Rees of Jamaica Plain and a graduate of Harvard has accepted a position in the wool-sorting room and is getting what insight he can about the business.

Wm. Hefner of Department 1A underwent an operation on September 25, by having five teeth extracted. It doesn't stop him from chewing the rag, however.

Monroe Walters of department 1A picked a tomato that weighed 2¾ pounds. Can you beat that?

The following people have accepted positions in Department 6 during the past month: Mrs. Duplaine, Rosanna Belanger, Clara Reno, Peter Gervais, Adelard Duhamel, and Mrs. Collette.

Wm. Bodreau of Department 6 has returned to his home in Caryville, Mass.

Philip Duhamel and J. Martin of Department 6 recently took an auto trip to Springfield.

Eugene Gregoire and Tracy Fairfield, both members of the Southbridge Vocational School, are now working in Department 6.

The soccer team expects to run dances during the fall and winter months, hoping to help defray the expenses of running the team. The Soccer Committee would like to see more of the boys turn out for practice; the more that come out, the more players we will be able to develop.

Joseph Robinson has concluded his duties in the card room and will return to New York.

Rodolphe Jalbert has returned from his honeymoon and resumed his duties in Department 1.

Eveline Gadbois is still on the disabled list as a result of the automobile accident on Sturbridge Road some time ago.

William Kermack has been appointed captain of the Department 1 bowling team, and he has picked a team that will make all of the other departments hustle to keep within hailing distance of them.

Freddie Walters has picked an independent bowling team that he says can trim any of the regulars, and he will bet his motorcycle on it.

## Large Number of Employees Attend Evening Classes

The Southbridge Vocational School opened its evening classes September 20 with a large number of employees in attendance. Sessions are held in the Town Hall two evenings each week. Rooms have been fitted up for Textile, Machine Drafting, and Blueprint Reading, and Electrical Courses. Among those employed by the Hamilton Woolen Co. who are taking these courses are the following:

1st year, Worsted Yarn Manufacture—James Christenson, Kenneth Crossman, Louis Donais, Wilfred Gagnon, Stanley Harwood, Angelo Masi, Charles Matthews, Claudio Pleau, Raymond Plimpton, Malcolm Rees, John Roan, John Tully, and Arthur Whiteoak.

2nd year, Worsted Yarn Manufacture—Emmanuel Daigle, W. Wulffing Grant, H. O. Jackson, William Justice, William Kermack, Joseph Laughnane, Rudolphe Lusignan, J. W. McLean, John Rowley, William Toye, and Percy Whiteoak.

Machine Drafting and Blueprint Reading—David Simpson, Ernest Knowles, Adolphe LaFleshe, Joseph Buckley, and Edward Collins.

Electricity—John Carney.

New enrollments for the day course in worsteds are: "Buddy" Smith, Domnico Santo, Raoul Roy, and William Luddy. That brings the total enrollment for this course to nineteen.

A recent visitor at the school and at the mill was Mr. Charles Foster. Mr. Foster is in this country investigating industrial education in the interests of the Chinese government. Mr. Foster, who, by the way, is an American, thinks that the part-time trade school such as the one in Southbridge is superior to any other type. He has reached this conclusion after investigating schools in all parts of the United States. Upon his return to China, Mr. Foster will assist the Chinese government in establishing schools to give day and evening courses in cotton and silk manufacture, which in all probability will be patterned after the school here.

## Joe Brown



Manager and Veteran

Raymond Beaven, the star catcher on the Hamilton baseball team, has terminated his duties in the Top Mill and returned to the Lowell Textile School. We hope to be able to welcome Raymond back next summer, as he not only was one of our best ball players, but was also an expert tennis player and is well liked by all who know him.

Mrs. Rose Bennette has returned to her duties in Department 6 after a month's vacation spent in Providence. She is now employed as a drawer-in.

Mrs. Oeada Gaegne, formerly of West Dudley, has accepted a position as weaver in Department 6.

J. Martin of Department 6, a veteran of the World War, has received a victory medal from the Government. He also received the war certificate, with President Wilson's signature, given to all wounded soldiers of the World War.

Alice Poulin is back with us again after a two months' vacation spent in Canada.

What keeps Alexandra L'Heureux of Department 6 smiling these days? Well, as a lot of you will never be able to guess, the reason is, boys, that Alex is the papa of a bouncing 9-pound daughter born September 19. Both the mother and child are doing nicely. The baby girl has been named Lauretta. We all wish you luck, Alex.

George Patenaude has been elected captain of the bowling team in Department 6. As most of last year's star bowlers are available and lots of new material to be tried out, the Department 6 team will be a hard combination to beat.

I. Leduc has severed his connections with this Company and is now driving a truck for the Southbridge Steam Laundry.

*Don't Forget the*

## TENNIS RACKET AND BALL

Friday, November 5  
Recreation Room

Music by  
The Hamilton Orchestra

ADMISSION  
GENTLEMEN, 55c.  
LADIES, 35c.

## Look Who's Here

Crossman and Lavallee, developers and printers of Kodak films for amateurs, announce that they are now equipped to do speedy work on your films at a reasonable rate. See either Crossman or Lavallee at the Engineering Department.

Yung Chi Wang has also returned to the Lowell Textile School. We lost another good tennis player when he left. As Mr. Wang is in his senior year at the school, he will not be with us again probably.



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## Culinary Chats

**A Series of Useful and Serviceable Receipts with Original Hints, Ideas and Suggestions**

M. W. MACNIVEN  
Manager, Hamilton Lodge

On the lady of the house devolves the task of providing the food for her household; it should be her care that no waste or misuse shall enter into the purchase or preparation of it.

Ascertain the price of every article of food in your neighborhood, as the prices differ with the localities and that which might be economical food in one place is just the reverse in another.

In order to learn prices, do not neglect to market in different places. You will thus be able by personal observation to learn which are the best shops for each article and what are fair prices of payment for them.

More vegetables, fish, bread, and puddings will greatly reduce the necessity of meats.

With regard to meat, an allowance must be made for shrinkage in cooking, also for weight of bone found in most cuts. I advise the housewife to market for herself; but as some skill is required in a purchaser, I will endeavor to give a few directions by which the inexperienced may be enabled to select good meat.

Ox-beef is the best. It is a fine-grained meat; the lean is a bright-red color intermingled with grains of fat when it is well fed and good; the fat should be white, *not yellow*.

Heifer-beef is paler than ox-beef, closer grained, the fat whiter and the bones smaller.

Bull-beef is to be avoided at all times. It is dark colored, coarse grained, tough, no fat, and has a very strong "meaty" smell about it.

Veal should be pale pink, closely grained, the flesh firm and dry; if it is moist and clammy, it is stale and not fit for cooking.

Lamb should be small, pale-red color, firm, and fat—otherwise same as veal.

Pork—the fat, snow white; the lean, cream color, finely grained and firm. If clammy, it should not be eaten, as it must be perfectly sweet to be good; therefore, do not keep it long.

Bacon—the rind, thin; the fat, pinkish-white and firm. Rusty bacon has yellow streaks through it and is smoke-tainted, therefore not good.

Hams are tried by sticking a fork in the side near the knuckle; if a sweet smell, it is good—a strong musty odor, it is tainted.

All meats should be wiped with a dry cotton cloth as soon as purchased and not washed till ready for cooking; your meats will be sweeter by so doing.

Any reader who wishes receipts or information regarding the Culinary Department will be gladly accommodated

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STILL the GREATEST  
MOTHER in the WORLD

  
STILL the GREATEST  
MOTHER in the WORLD

by addressing "Culinary Chats," Hamilton Lodge.

**TRY THIS ECONOMICAL "SPICED BEEF"**

5 lbs. flank, rolled tight  
1 tablespoonful mixed wholspice  
2 tablespoonfuls sugar  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  cup vinegar  
1 handful salt

Cover with cold water and simmer till tender; put in pan and press flat; serve cold.

Note—Mr. MacNiven will contribute another article in our next issue. Be sure to get it.

(To be continued)

The editors are in receipt of an anonymous inquiry asking us to get a confidential report as to what happened to "Bert Ryan's" trousers during a bowling match recently.

It will be of interest to note that the Rev. A. B. Todd, the new pastor of the Baptist Church, was once connected with the Hamilton Woolen Company in its Amesbury mill.

Albert Berry, who played ball this past season for the Hamilton team, has returned to Department 2.

Yvonne Lamontagne, Department 4, passed the week-end in Greenville, N. H.

Say, Emelia, who is your friend? He certainly owns a nice car—some class to Department 4 girls.

A "mock wedding" party was held in the recreation room, October 29, in honor of Miss Laura McDonald of Department 4, whose marriage to Mr. Franks of Pittsfield took place in the Notre Dame church, November 8. She was presented with a dinner and luncheon set by her friends, and the evening was spent in dancing and singing.

Albert Mazi, Department 2, who was recently operated upon at Memorial Hospital, Worcester, is rapidly recovering.

We wonder if Rap Van Winkle would have still slept on, if he had happened to have been within ten miles of Hamilton Field during the A. O. soccer game. Our Josephine is some loyal rooter and is popular enough to be nominated for any political office.

Miss Mildred Vilandre has returned to her home from a trip to North Dakota and is back at her duties in Department 5. Mildred shows that the breezy Western life agreed with her.

## Cost Department

Somebody with an inquiring turn of mind asked a question as to what became of all the daily, weekly, and monthly reports which are made up throughout the mill and which are forwarded to the main office. This article is an attempt to explain what becomes of all these reports and why.

In order to sell anything with any degree of intelligence, it is necessary to know what an article costs; and in order to know what an article costs, it is necessary to have figures which will give the cost of the material, cost of labor, and all the items of expense necessary in buying, manufacturing, and selling.

In making tops the unit of production is the pound.

In making yarn the unit is the same; but in cloth the unit is the yard, and the yard is the selling unit. In converting greasy or unwashed wool into top, it is necessary to know how many pounds of each grade are sorted, how many pounds of a certain grade are delivered to the washing machine, and how many pounds of top, noils, and burr waste are made from a given quantity of grease wool. All of this information originates from the various departments in the form of daily or weekly reports which are forwarded to the Cost Department for compilation. In addition to these production costs, records have to be kept of all supplies used, all repairs made, power used, heating, and lighting, so that at the end of any given period the cost per pound of top or yarn and the cost per yard of cloth may be determined accurately.

Records have to be kept of all waste made and sold, coal used, dyestuffs and chemicals consumed, and in fact of all money spent for and by the Company in the production, marketing, and selling of its goods.

It is therefore necessary that an accurate record be kept of all material consumed and produced by each department, how much has been spent for supplies, how much for repairs, maintenance, etc.; and all of this means an endless chain of daily, weekly, and monthly reports.

Miss Clara White is back again at her desk in Mr. Payne's office. Clara had a fine trip by auto to Denver, Colo., in August and returned last month. She visited many points of interest on the way and was particularly impressed with Niagara Falls. She says she expects another trip there later on.

Our photographer wishes to say that any pictures appearing in "The Hamiltonian" can be obtained from him at 20 cents each (unmounted). We sure have to pass the ribbon to "Billy." He is the recipient of a cash check from the Boston "Globe" for his photograph of the automobile that crashed over the embankment on Sturbridge Road.



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## This Month

November, with its two glorious holidays—Armistice Day and Thanksgiving—is a month dear to us all. Both days are of thanksgiving and praise, one commemorating the coming of peace to a war-stricken world and the other set aside to give thanks for aid in the struggle for existence.

Looking back to that first Thanksgiving, there were the Pilgrims—strangers in a strange land—taking this as a time of praise to God for the mercy and guidance that He had shown them. Year after year this day has been observed until it has become the home day of a whole nation. Home, at Thanksgiving time, is first in our thoughts; and though we ourselves may not actually be there, still our hearts are always back in the family circle.

It is a happy day for us. We see our family, our friends, and renew the ties of love and affection.

To the Pilgrims it was a happy day too, but perhaps a more serious one than our modern Thanksgiving Days are apt to be. Numberless hardships have been their lot since leaving the shores of their old country. Many, many times, things have seemed unendurable, yet they came bravely through it all and founded a new order in a new country. Faith in the Great Father, a true, vital purpose and the wonderful sense of unity and co-operation with which they strove to attain that purpose, made our forefathers successful.

Coming down through the years from that November 1620 to Armistice Day on the battle fields of France, we find that November 11th in both these years had a peculiar significance to us here in America, and more especially here in Massachusetts. For on the same day that fighting ceased in the world war, 398 years before, the Mayflower Compact was made. These sturdy forefathers of ours had braved the terrors of the sea and the unknown, to gain freedom to worship God as they pleased. But, realizing that no group of people could live together without co-operation and common purposes and laws, they drew up, what seemed to them, an agreement to fit their needs. Those who landed at Plymouth signed this compact, assembled in the tiny cabin of the "Mayflower."

They were successful, these ancestors of ours. Our flourishing New England of today wouldn't be half so flourishing



The reason for the scarcity of game in this part of the country has been discovered, and thanks to a charge of No. 6 shot the cause has been removed. The ferocious animal pictured above was killed by Superintendent Varnum and Mr. Martin near the Cat Rocks, toward the close of an afternoon's hunting. Due to the innate modesty of both these mighty hunters, the exact details of the slaying of this scourge of the forest cannot be obtained; but from words that have dropped from time to time, we feel sure that its death was brought about only by the exercise of the greatest skill and with the display of the highest courage upon the part of the two sportsmen.

We understand that their attention was attracted by the dying struggles of a kangaroo which the animal had pulled down and was devouring; and, creeping up within gunshot, they took careful aim and fired. Here the story grows slightly incoherent, and there are impressions conveyed of trees being up-

if they had not been sturdy pioneers and had not united their forces and worked together to make their new life successful.

When things began to seem brighter for them they set aside a day to give thanks. Each year, after months of work and play, we too need a day of Thanksgiving. To go home, how much it means to us all—home where love and harmony reign supreme—and there among our dear ones give our thanks to the Creator for what the year has brought to us.

It is needless, perhaps, to ask our employees to give the management their best interest and co-operation in making and keeping the mill as neat and clean as is possible. Now that the cold days are at hand, it is all the more necessary to keep our various departments in a healthful working condition. Those in charge will appreciate receiving justified complaints or practical suggestions at all times, and such will have their immediate attention. We thank you.

Have you heard of the new style of ball Ralph Arnold is using? It is rumored that it will revolutionize the art of bowling and is the result of years of practice. Let us have the secret, Ralph.

If you think anything of your favorite "Tabby" at home, it would be better to lock her up nights. Nuff Said.

rooted and stones flying through the air while horrid shrieks resounded. For a time that seemed years long, there was uncertainty who was being hunted; but the havoc wrought by the weapons finally began to tell, and the struggles of the stricken catamount gradually grew less and finally ceased.

After all had been still for some time, our friends started back to the scene of battle and at last reached the place where "Felis Domesticus Avaticus" lay. They picked up the body and with some difficulty got it out to their automobile and brought it here. The picture was taken the next morning and shows the remarkable shrinkage that took place overnight, the varmint shrinking from the (estimated) size of a Nubian lion to a mere twenty-one pounds.

An autopsy disclosed that its last meal had consisted of a partridge and a young animal of some kind, so that the death of this one animal will go a considerable distance toward the preservation of the game in our vicinity.

"It is a long way to Webster," exclaimed E. McDonald of Department 6 one Monday morning recently. McDonald, with some friends, was on his way to Webster by the way of Oxford Heights. Arriving at Oxford Heights, they found that the Webster car had just left, so they decided to hoof it. "Never again," said E. McDonald, as he limped around with two fat blisters on his toes, the only souvenir of his journey.

The first fall meeting of the O. M. Club met at the home of Miss Morrin on Winter Street, Wednesday evening, October 27. The club comprises about twenty of the active young ladies who assemble for social and political purposes. They voted to support the Prohibition candidate for President, but were not opposed to the making of "sweet cider." Miss Small, now of Springfield, gave a brief talk of her experiences in the big city. The meeting closed with the usual "feed."

Mr. John Rowley of Department 2 was one of a party of Southbridge fellows who spent a week deer (not dear) hunting in New Hampshire. Two fine animals were brought down, although John said his aim was not quite true, thus missing his chance.

Joseph Gagon, formerly of the Goodyear (Conn.) Mills, has accepted a job as loomfixer in Department 6.

O. Pleau of Department 6 was out a few days recently with the grippie.



Miss Mary Fenton had a terrible scare, because she could not find her pay. The scare lasted only a short while, for she found it carefully placed in her shoe.

As the cold and dreary evenings are approaching, Mr. Gallagher purchased a new Victrola to while away the idle moments.

Miss Mary Allax and Miss Catherine Corrydon have returned to our employ.

Miss Margaret Lynch has a very rare contralto voice, which was heard to advantage in her recent solo, "Oh, for the love of thee."

## October Days

There is hardly anyone but who has enjoyed the extraordinarily fine weather we have had during the past month. It has been an exceptional month, in that the rainfall has been so slight and there have been so many continuous warm fall days. We all feel that possibly the weather man owes them to us, if we look back to those dreary and cold days of the past winter. This is the best time of the year to be out-of-doors as much as possible and get the benefit of the cool bracing fall air, which is free and without the usual "war tax" attached to it. Be sure to take in any of the beautiful walks out into the woods and ask yourself if we are not indeed fortunate in living in such a beautiful locality. We have much to be proud of, and there is no prettier section than our woods and hills in and around Southbridge.

## Good News

We understand that Mr. Herbert L. Ewer, our wool buyer in the treasurer's office, is gaining in health and is able to be up and around. Mr. Ewer has been confined to his home for several months through illness, and it is indeed mighty welcome news to his many friends at the mill to learn of his improvement. We wish him the best of luck and look forward to his early return to duties.

Mr. Geo. A. Slifer, who has been connected with the Boston office of Wellington, Sears & Company, has been transferred to the New York offices. He will be associated with his father, Mr. B. B. Slifer, who has been in charge of the offices for several years.

We congratulate Mr. William P. Brennan, of the dyehouse, upon his joining the benedict class. "Billy" was married Tuesday, October 26, to Miss Mary Prendergast, and they were the recipients of many fine gifts and the best wishes of their host of friends.

Mr. John O. Martin of the main office took a week's vacation last month in touring up through New York, Vermont, and, Oh! yes, Canada. John reported a large number of tourists "over the line." Mrs. Martin accompanied her husband, and both enjoyed their outing.



## Hamilton Girls



This shows a few of "our girls" gathered on the side porch of Hamilton Lodge.

Top row (left to right): Francis Linkowicz, Beatrice Benoit, Nola Benoit, Jessie Lyons, Beatrice Shanley, Marion Bernier, Helen Langlois, Della Nowakowski.

Bottom row (left to right): Mrs. Slater (nurse), Marie Cournoyer, Helen Shurks, Margaret McDonald, Winnie Sheminski, Mrs. Reil, Mary Sitko, Mrs. MacNiven (matron).

This photo is James Costa, who has kindly volunteered to become one of our "wrestling instructors." "Jimmy," as he is known to his friends, has been in competitions against some of the best men in New England and always held his own with anyone near his weight. Jimmy is well liked by the boys and should make a good instructor.



Boxing and wrestling are the two new branches of sport that the Hamilton Club has undertaken for the coming season. The members have shown an earnestness in the added activity that augurs well for its success. Classes have been formed under capable instructors. A new set of boxing gloves has been purchased, and a padded mat has been made. For the present the classes will meet weekly in the recreation rooms. Ovila Gregoire has been secured for instructor of boxing, and Earl Gregory will impart his skill to the wrestlers. The following joint-committee is in charge: Wm. Hefner, Joseph Martin, Earl Gregory, Adolph Laflesh, George Gaetjens, Robert Kershaw, Jr.

From the side-lines, it looks as if the Office bowling team took a correspondence school course in the art of bowling. They can show you how it's done on paper, but not on the alleys.

Did you vote "Early and Often"?

Some of the finishing room girls are planning to form a "Ladies Progressive Club." Woman suffrage is causing as much discussion as Article X of the League of Nations.

Mr. Wm. E. Arnold attended the convention of the American Radio Relay League at the Warren Winter Garden at Worcester, October 31. "Bill" was given the honor of having his station selected as the authorized amateur station for this section. It comprises a 1-KVA transmitter, one regenerative receiver, one 15-Panel De Forest receiver, and a 3-step amplifier. Signals are copied from all transatlantic stations, including Nauen (Germany), Lyons (France), Stavanger (Norway), and numerous other places. Radio telephone conversation and musical concerts are heard frequently at his own station. Visitors always welcome. Should you wish to call, his call is 1-GBC. This is the first licensed station Southbridge has had, holding an amateur operator's and station license.

Arcie Green spent a pleasant vacation at Seconet Point with his family.

Miss Laura Pion of Department 6 recently took an automobile trip with friends to Worcester and Millbury.

Henry Gibeault of Department 6 was out a few days recently with tonsillitis.

The following persons have accepted jobs in Department 6 during the past month: Mrs. Victoria Carme, Mary Lange, Gertrude Greely, Emma Mooth, and Misses Anette Girard, Georgiana Carpenter, and also Joseph Belanger.

Claudio Pleau of Department 6 has received his Victory Medal from the Government.

Anyone desiring a few good pullets might do well to get in touch with P. Duhamel of Department 6.

Albert Lemire, weaver in Department 6, was taken to Memorial Hospital recently. We all wish you a speedy recovery, Albert.

Alphonsine Comier, formerly of the Charlton Mills, has accepted a job as a weaver in Department 6.

C. Pleau of Department 6 came to work recently with as nice a flashy pink shirt as ever seen in this department for years. What the boys did to the "old-rose of summer" shirt is too sad to tell here; we haven't the heart. Ask Pleau, he buried the remains.

Miss Chamberlain of Department 6 recently spent the week-end in Stafford Springs, Conn.

Arthur Butler has accepted a job as warp tender in Department 6. Arthur is also a star soccer player.

The agony trio of Department 6 desires engagements at all parties and shows during the winter months. Their services can be had by applying to George Patenaude, their screeching tenor.

John Roan of Department 6 recently served as best man at the wedding of H. Blute and Miss Cameron.

Leonce Pellitier of Department 6 recently attended the wedding of Miss Irene Tetreault and Charles Thibeault. Leonce also served as best man.

The Department 6 bowling team captained by George Patenaude has got away to a good start, being tied for first place with Department 2. The star bowlers are fast rounding into form, and the bowling fans of Department 6 are well pleased at their team's good work.

Take your fellow to the movies, if you can't make love at home. Ask Miss M. R. of Department 6, girls; she will tell you all about it.

Wm. Dennison of Department 18 bowling team is showing signs of improvement this year. Last year he had a hard scratch to meet the 70 mark; now he is hitting them for 71.

Mike Hebeva of Department 6 recently spent the week-end with friends in Ludlow.

Frank Harvey and A. Butler of Department 6 challenge any employee in the Hamilton Woolen Co. to a chocolate-éclair eating contest.

A little party took place about a month ago which is worth mentioning, although almost history now. It was the occasion at which about twenty-five employees celebrated the termination of the World's Series and a victory for the Cleveland Club. It is the custom of a certain few who are devotees of the pipe and good fellowship to gather once in a while to enjoy a good dinner, a friendly game of cards, and to swap a story or two.

A Presidential nomination or a World's Series calls for a meeting of the Clan in order that the matter may be properly discussed and approved or disapproved. The last meeting held at the Elms in Sturbridge, which took up the subject of the recent World's Series, was highly successful from point of entertainment, Mr. Charles Mathews having made the arrangements.

After the business meeting or rather discussion, which was led by Mr. Elliott Clemence, who has been chosen president because of his voodoo powers, the party was entertained by Mr. William Henry, one of the guests. Mr. Henry entertained with French-Canadian monologues and various anecdotes. Members of the party contributed to the enjoyment of the evening with instrumental selections. As they say in Chinese, "Some Party."

The Cooley & Marvin Co., engineers and accountants of Boston, are making a complete appraisal of all the Company's property. They have ten or a dozen men here who have their headquarters in the engineering office but who necessarily are around the mill more or less. It has been a pleasure to have these men working among us, their pleasant personalities making warm friends for them throughout the plant.

There are a great many odd bolts, etc., which have accumulated at the carpenter shop and which are now being sorted to reclaim them. Ask Al, he knows.

A party including Jack Brogan, Mike Horrigan, Dick Morrissey, Jack Moriarty, Jack Hampson, and Del Badger made the trip to Worcester in Badger's Ford to see the Whittin-Hamilton soccer game. They claim they made the trip back in forty-four minutes. If you've got a Ford, bring it out.

Jack Hampson bought a pair of red shoes in Worcester the other day, \$4.98. Look 'em over.

Have you noticed what Miss Irene Salva is flashing on the third finger of her left hand? And that isn't all the news in Mr. Cornock's office. Alberta is surely some winner when it comes to having admirers, particularly "the one" from Webster. He comes over at least eight nights during the week and twice on Sunday.

## Know 'Em?





## George S. Rich

About seventy-five friends of Mr. and Mrs. Rich called at their home Friday evening, October 8, to help them celebrate their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary. This month also marks the twenty-fourth year George S. Rich has been with this Company: starting in at the finishing end, by his tireless energy he has received several promotions, the last one being his appointment as purchasing agent.



Mr. Rich says he is quite certain that hard work never killed any person; and we feel sure that, if such was the case, he would have departed long ago. To be able to quote current market prices on anything from pins to automobiles is but one of his several duties, and his department might properly be classified as the "Information Bureau." We trust he will remain with us for quite some time to come, and we wish to add our congratulations to them both upon this occasion.

## Deep Stuff

(ATTENTION DEPARTMENTS 9 AND 20)

Secret meetings, strange actions, frequent visits to certain stores—all these are but a few of the signs that prove there is something important going to happen of vital interest to a certain couple.

If this was not "secret stuff," we would be pleased to give names and dates; but we must not betray our reputation for strict adherence to all confidences placed with us. Please do not try to guess their names, because they might call it off, if discovered.

Mrs. Annie Patterson of the mending room left New York City on the "Celtic" for England, where she will visit relatives.

Miss Mabel Ryan has returned to work after a long illness.

Miss Jessie Simpson spent a few days in Providence, a guest of her sister, Mrs. Charles Fallows.

Leo Hebert of Department 7 enjoyed a very pleasant week in Vermont.

Miss Margaret Knirye and Miss Ellen Buckley spent a few days in Boston recently.

Mr. George A. Payne attended the grand circuit horse race at Sage Park, Windsor, Conn., with several other Southbridge men.

Messrs. Armstrong, Varnum, Rich, Hager, Martin, and Wilcock attended the fifth annual meeting and dinner of the Associated Industries of Massachusetts, at the Copley-Plaza, on Thursday evening, October 26. A very interesting and instructive program was carried out, and the meeting was largely attended.

"Jack" Ryan, genial foreman of the garage, was the victim of a painful accident two weeks ago. His self-starter refused to work; and Jack had to crank, the result of which was a terrific blow in his face from the crank-handle. He lost one tooth and loosened up a half-dozen more. Jack's lip was swelled up like a balloon and caused him a week or more of discomfort.

William Lavallee of the Engineering Department starred in the football game recently played on Hamilton Field between the high school and Fiskdale A. C.

A concrete roadway has been put in at the loading platform, so that the trucks will get good traction there this winter.

Kenneth Crossman, one of our foremost soccer men, has been troubled with a bruised heel the past few weeks. He's still on the job, however, both at soccer and in the mill.

Many Hamiltonians attended the theater in Worcester when "Irene" was playing there not long ago. Three young men, whose names are withheld by request, going so far as to make the trip to Worcester in the hope of getting standing room, found that the ticket seller was flint-hearted; and it was not until the third attempt that she was persuaded to sell the boys standing room. It was the dazzling Swedish smile that won her.

## A Real Hunter



We are pleased to show Mr. Hanks in the rôle of a huntsman, after a trip into the woods. One has to be a good shot to bring down five such fine specimens of grey squirrels. (Note—These are real, not "domesticated" animals.) Mr. Hanks has his "partner" with him, also.

A number of girls of Department 7 went to see the musical comedy "Irene" in Worcester Theatre. Two of the girls had very popular seats, D3-D4. Hang on to your cheeks, Nellie.

The Hamilton Lodge is now the happy home of nineteen Hamilton girls.

Raymond Goodell, one of our foremost Nimrods, shot a skunk at Cedar Pond not long ago. He came upon the animal unexpectedly, but swung his gun to shoulder instantly and hit his mark on the second try.

The heating boilers at the Big Mill have just been reset, which means that they will be in the best of condition for a number of years now. The resetting of boilers is quite a job, as all the brickwork has to be torn down and new put in, and a new firebrick lining installed. After the Big Mill boilers are completed, the masons will start work on the boilers at the main power plant, where a new type of stoker is also to be installed in two of the boilers for trial.

We hope all cider connoisseurs have their supply secure in the cellar, as about January first ye editors intend to run a contest, the best sample of cider turned in at the editorial office winning a prize.

A small fire was discovered at the truck garage by Jack Ryan just in time to avert what might have been a serious affair.

There are 318 garden plots that still have cornstalks, etc., on them that should be cleared up. Is yours one of them? The Garden Committee requests that everyone who had a garden this summer complete his harvesting and then clean up and burn whatever else is left on his plot.

The best dinners to be obtained in Southbridge are being put out every noon at the Hamilton Lodge. Those who eat there say that the dinners can't be beat for fifty cents, and we have it straight from the gentlemen who are working here on the appraisal of the plant that they would rather dine at the Hamilton Lodge than at any other place in town. If you have occasion to have dinner away from home, try the Hamilton Lodge.

Cordwood is more in demand this year than brick at an Irish wedding, and so the Company has put its best foot forward to see that its employees receive as much as they require of the best wood which is available in this neighborhood. And it is probable that, but for the foresight of this and other companies, the wood would be hard to get about now, and prices would be soaring at about the same altitude at which coal is.

A fleet of Company and hired auto trucks have been constantly on the go the past month or more, getting the wood in from the lots and delivering it at the homes of employees. Over six hundred cords have been delivered to Hamilton people in addition to the large amount of wood that has been burned at the Middle and Lower Mill boilers all during the summer.

Ask Del Dooley. He says the wood business is picking up. He has picked up and thrown off his team a good many cords this fall, but he still wears the big smile, because he hasn't got to saw any of it. Maybe some Hamiltonians can say more about sawing wood this year than they could last.

## "Day Dreams"



You might easily mistake the above picture to be one of those persons classified as the "idle rich," but such is not the case. This shows our chief cost accountant, Mr. Wilcock, in one of his favorite attitudes while "vacationing" it at his summer cottage on the Maine coast. Mr. Wilcock claims he takes more "solid comfort" at the beach than most men, because he has learned to put the same enthusiasm and interest into his pleasures as he does into his work. This plan, he says, pays the biggest "dividends" in health and is well worth following.

## Movies

The Hamilton Club is going to have a regulation moving-picture machine, the gift of the Company to the Club.

The machine is a "Powers" make, which is one of the best, and is a regulation full-size machine such as is used in all moving-picture theaters. The machine has come, and work is going on at a fast rate in building the asbestos booth required in the recreation room.

The booth will be set in the anteroom at the far end of the hall, and the pictures will be projected through a hole in the brick wall onto a screen on the dispensary wall. This arrangement will leave the recreation room with just as much seating capacity as it ever had.

Pictures will be shown to suit the Club members, from Thomas Ince productions to Hamilton Field Day productions. For, with this handsome machine which the Company has bought for us, all kinds of films may be run and as good results obtained as any theater gets.

A real moving-picture machine has been the dream of a great many Club members, and now it is an actual fact. The employees feel justly proud of a Company whose generosity and interest in the welfare of its employees are of a quality worth while.



## John A. Grover



There is no mystery as to the subject of the above picture. We are glad to have been allowed to "snap" this good-looking man. Mr. Grover needs no introduction to most of us, as he is a weekly visitor at the mill. "John" is one of the able assistants to our treasurer in the Boston office, where he has been for the past eight years. He is a loyal Hamilton booster, and we are always glad to see him with his genial smile and happy disposition.

## Southbridge Woman's Club

The first organized campaign for subscriptions to the Southbridge Visiting Nurse Association was started last week. At the regular monthly meeting of the association plans for the campaign were perfected, the resignation of Miss Julia M. Barry, the association nurse, was accepted, and a new member, Mrs. J. Cheney Wells, received into the organization. Miss Barry has been the district nurse for four years and leaves this month to be married to Mr. Richard Larkin of Worcester.

The association is in need of funds as a large percentage of the persons cared for are non-paying patients. A circular stating the need for additional subscriptions has been prepared and mailed out. The cost of membership is one dollar, though a larger amount is solicited and subscriptions may be sent to Mrs. G. M. Cheney, the treasurer. The association does prenatal work, cares for babies and invalids and is invaluable in time of epidemic as was demonstrated last year. Any call, whether from a member or not, and whether the applicant is able to pay the nominal charge for a visit, is immediately answered.

The officers and directors of the association are: Mrs. H. E. Wells, president; Mrs. G. C. Winter, vice president; Mrs. E. B. Armstrong, secretary; Mrs. G. M. Cheney, treasurer; directors—Mrs. P. Casavant, Miss Mary Meagher, Mrs. J. E. Demers, Mrs. D. T. Morrill, Mrs. R. A. Rice, Mrs. A. B. Wells, Mrs. J. C. Wells, and Mrs. J. F. C. Wheelock.

Mr. Birdsall, boss weaver, is wearing an unusually large smile these days. His family recently moved into their new home on Main Street from Lawrence, Mass.

Mr. Randall, the paymaster, has recovered from a very severe cold which threatened to keep him in bed.

Well! Well! Here's to the new citizen in our midst—Junior, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Matthews. Best of luck and a long life.

Here's a good one. Mr. Watson had some shirting woven recently and Mr. Wilcock secured a few yards one day for himself. He came into the office next morning and wore the newly made shirt. That's going some.

Miss Edna M. Small, who is taking a special course in Comptometer work in Springfield, was a recent visitor at the Planning Department. She expects to return to the Mill next month.

We hope everybody enjoys themselves over the Thanksgiving recess and "watch your step" on eating beyond capacity.

Oh! yes, there is another new voter (male) in town. Here's best wishes to him and congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Nystrom.

A suggestion: There are some good voices around the Mill and we ought to be able to form a first-class quartet or male chorus that would be a credit to the Hamilton Club. Why not "Do It Now"?

Raymond Favreau was seen buying a safety-razor outfit the other day. He says it is necessary once a month at least and he wants to see how it works.

## Mystery Picture Whose "Goat"?



Some say this was the A. O. "goat" that got loose during the last soccer game.

Others claim it's the Office bowling team "goat," and again it may be anyone's "goat." Best answer takes it.

## Just for Fun



Have you ever stopped to wonder  
Where that picture ever went,  
That you and the bunch had taken,  
At the beach where once you went?  
But here is one that caught my eye  
And I think it's pretty rich.  
Just hold your breath a minute or two,  
And I will tell you which is which.  
From left to right just read them,  
And read them very slow;  
Just have a laugh with each one  
As along in verse you go.  
At the top we have Mame Sheridan,  
At her side a gallant knight.

Oh, he was so brave and handsome;  
Just ask Mame, she'll say I'm right.  
The next we have the loving two,  
Kate Burke and her winning boy.  
He could bounce her on his knee  
Like a darling baby's toy.  
The next in line was Mame Brown,  
A bashful girl was she,  
While at her side sat a youth so calm  
And as cute as one could be.  
And last of all was Kitty Ward,  
The last but not the least.  
The guy aside of her looked as if  
He had been fed on magic yeast.

## Facts and Fancies

Lest we forget—"Do your Christmas Shopping Early."

"Soccer Fever" is the latest, so "Boot It."

## We Can't, Can You?

It's easy enough to be happy  
When life is brimful of content,  
But the man who's worth while  
Is the man who can smile.  
When the landlord goes up on the rent.

## "I Told You So"

A well-known local young woman appeared at the polls bright and early election morning and, when the ballot was handed to her, spoke up firmly: "Two, if you please." "There is only one to each person," politely replied the checker. "Not much," she retorted; "my husband *always* voted as I told him to, and now that 'we' have the right to vote, I'll do the voting for us both. What is needed most at the polls is more women and less men."

The hunting season is on, and there seems to be an ever increasing number of "alibi shooters" on hand.

## A Believer in Signs

August, the diminutive but genial storekeeper whose business was slow and quite conservative, found that things were going from bad to worse, financially. Finally the landlord told him that, if he did not pay his rent by July first, he must vacate. The next morning the following sign appeared in his store window:

## TO MY CUSTOMERS

If you do not pay your Bills  
Before the first of July,  
It will be the last of August.—Ex.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wood and son spent a very pleasant week-end in New York City.

Adelard Dumas, our printer in Department 20, has returned to his duties after an absence of four weeks, owing to a stubborn attack of throat trouble.

Miss Margaret McDonald has taken a position with the office force of Department 20.

## Bowling Schedule

Date	Day	Dept.	vs.	Dept.	Alleys
Nov. 17	Wed.	8	vs.	5-14	3-4
		12	"	6	1-2
		15	"	10	5-6
Nov. 22	Mon.	9	"	8	1-2
		17	"	5-14	5-6
		15	"	6	3-4
Nov. 24	Wed.	1	"	10	3-4
		16	"	12	5-6
		2	"	18	1-2
Nov. 29	Mon.	10	"	5-14	1-2
		17	"	6	3-4
		18	"	9	5-6
Dec. 1	Wed.	1	"	12	5-6
		16	"	15	1-2
		2	"	8	3-4
Dec. 6	Mon.	1	"	18	1-2
		16	"	9	3-4
		2	"	15	5-6
Dec. 8	Wed.	8	"	12	5-6
		10	"	17	3-4
		5-14	"	6	1-2
Dec. 13	Mon.	9	"	5	5-6
		17	"	8	1-2
		18	"	12	3-4
Dec. 15	Wed.	1	"	15	5-6
		16	"	10	3-4
		2	"	6	1-2

Schedule arranged by F. H. Darling, secretary, Bowling League.



## Soccer Notes



The fourth game on our schedule was played October 16, 1920, on Hamilton Field, with our old rivals, the American Optical Co., as our opponents.

They came up brimming over with confidence in their ability to put the game on ice; and for a time it looked as though their faith was going to be realized, for they scored two horseshoe goals before the Hamilton boys got their teamwork going, after which it was goodbye to their hopes, as Arthur Whiteoak put two of his "cannon-ball shots" through their goal in quick succession, which their goaler never had a chance to stop. One of the mightiest roars ever heard in Southbridge went up as Arthur scored the second goal, and the noise for the next five minutes was tremendous.

The fifth game of our schedule was played October 23, 1920, at Sutton Lane, in Worcester, with the Whittall Carpet Co. as our opponents, and resulted in a win for Hamilton by a 3 to 2 score after a very fast game.

One of their goals was scored by Percy Whiteoak heading it in as he was trying to help out Connors at goal; and the bad feature of it was that Walter could have knocked it out, but he was afraid to take a chance of hurting Percy. Walter was hard pressed in the latter part of the game, and the way he belted and booted them out brought rounds of applause from the crowds on the sidelines.

Capt. Joe Buckley, with one leg strapped up, played rings around the Whittall team and scored two of the three goals we got, after some pretty passes by Richard Yates and Arthur Whiteoak. The other goal was scored by Arthur Whiteoak from a penalty kick, and it went by the goaler like a bullet.

Richard Yates had a good try for goal stopped in the goal mouth, and McCann shot one over the bar instead of under it. The halfback playing of Crossman, Raymond Yates, and Vreeland (who was playing his first game) was a revelation to the Whittall crowd. Our "old reliables," Percy Whiteoak and Joe Brown, although bruised up somewhat, played their usual fast game. George McCann and Wilfred Yates, who were playing on the right wing, gave a good account of themselves also.

On the way back from the Norton game the players of the soccer team got hungry about the time they were coming out Southbridge Street Extension, so they stopped at a small lunch and confectionery store, presided over by a sweet little girl who answered to the name of Florence. Florence certainly gave the boys an appetite, for in a short time Connors, Butler, and McCann had eaten all her crullers, pies, and cakes, as every

time Florence smiled on them they gave her another order. McNally got tired waiting for her to take his order and finally asked her if she would not please wait on him. She replied, "Oh, Fatty! Is that you? I didn't see you before or I wouldn't have had you waiting." When she brought McNally's order, she smiled on him, also gave his hand a little squeeze when handing him his change, but Mac, being an old hand at the game, didn't fall for any more orders.

She then turned her attention to Arthur Whiteoak, who was sitting at the soda fountain looking lonesome. She smiled on Arthur, and he immediately got out his wallet and began to order vanilla sodas, two at a time. She made a hit with Arthur, and he made a hit with her, and we had an awful time getting him back to the truck. It reminded the writer of Charles Ray in "The Egg-Crate Wallop."

Coming back from the Whittall game, the boys began to rubber out of the truck just as soon as they passed the "Holy Cross grounds," as they didn't want to miss that lunchroom. Mike Costa was in a hurry to get home and drove by the place about 50 yards, when the boys made him back up to the place, and they all rushed in. Florence was there as usual and had two of her pretty sisters to help her "vamp," so with the added attractions the boys got as loose as ashes. Arthur Whiteoak wasn't present on this occasion, as brother Percy made him come back in the car with him, so as to not take any chances of Florence kidnapping him. When the boys came in, Florence wanted to know where "Fatty" was; and when Mac came in, she gave him one of her sweetest smiles and took his order right away, but the best she could "nick" Mac for was one order.

Mike Costa came into the limelight for a flock of doughnuts and some milk, so Florence gave Mike her Sunset smile and Mike blushed and got so excited that he bought a bunch of 15-cent cigars; but he had presence of mind enough to put them into his inside pocket, so that the boys had to buy their own. Bill Kermack got excited and bought a package of "Lifesavers," so that nothing would happen to him. Richard Yates, in order to get the fellows started, went out to the truck and blew the whistle, so the boys on soccer it thought they were still playing soccer and rushed out to the truck before they noticed what they were doing. The last to leave was Vreeland, who had to explain to the other sister that he wasn't Arthur Butler; but he finally got away.

The boys arrived home in pretty good condition, considering the amount

of lunch they ate and the sodas they consumed.

The sixth game on the Hamilton soccer team's schedule was played at Goodyear (Conn.) on October 30, 1920, with the Goodyear soccer team of that town, and the "Hamiltons" were defeated 1 to 0.

The Hamilton team went there with the expectation of facing the same lineup that the American Optical Co. had against them the week before, but got the surprise of their lives, for Manager Hunter had three new star players besides the best of his other players in his lineup. The game was a nip and tuck affair until the latter part of the game, when the Goodyear forwards bore down on Raymond Yates, who was playing right fullback in place of Percy Whiteoak. Although Raymond tried hard, they got the ball by him. Connors, rushing out to boot the ball away, slipped; and before Raymond or Joe Brown could effectually cover the goal mouth, they had driven one through.

Hamilton scored one goal by Tansy, which was not allowed, as the referee claimed he was offside when he scored it.

The individual star of the Hamiltons was Arthur Butler, who played a "whale of a game" at left halfback; and his work at breaking up the Goodyear forwards was a treat to look at.

The Hamilton team and committee wish to express their appreciation of the support given them by the Hamilton fans and will endeavor to justify their continued support.

## Know This Fellow?



One would almost take the above photo to be the "Village Smith" out on the trail; but don't be alarmed, as we are introducing Mr. Arthur B. Cooke in one of his natural poses. Mr. Cooke is a native of Boston and graduated from Tufts College in 1917 with a B. S. degree. He came to the mill about a year ago where he has been learning the practical end of textile manufacturing.

Al Plimpton of the Receiving Department gave a party at his Mashapaug cottage not long ago. Members of the party were Jean Lusignan, A. D. Cornell, and Herbert Carpenter.

Freeman Champeau of Department 6 and wife recently spent the week-end in Quinebaug.

## A Letter



The following letter was received by H. F. Ryan from Mr. Carroll Merriam, who is now in France, and we are printing it as we think it will be interesting to many.

Lyon, Rhone, France,  
October 13, 1920.

Dear Bert,

You may be sure that I was interested in reading the copy of "The Hamiltonian" which reached me this morning just before taking the train for Grenoble. From the looks of the paper, things seem to be going well in Globe Village, and I hope that they may continue the same course indefinitely. I enjoyed seeing Mr. Hager's smiling face with just the same "beam" that it always had, even when I was in the laboratory. The Hotel Pleasant certainly looks cleaned up, or else Arnold did a fine job of retouching.

I was sorry that, in the note relating to my twofold purpose, one might suppose that I have been "doing" the battlefields tourist style. It has been rather more a delightful visit to the many friends of darker days, and I have been able to carry the message to many that the Americans who shared their hospitality have not forgotten them. The result of roaming about in among the old haunts is that I am sure that every soldier is remembered in France better than he thinks he is. I can assure you that if every Hamiltonian ex-soldier should send word, if he has not already done so, to several of his friends in France, simply to say that he is alive, it would give a great deal of pleasure.

I am sending you this little print along with the negative, in the hope that you can find a corner for it in "The Hamiltonian." It may be of interest, as the roadway that the little girls are standing on, and as you can see is still in good condition, was re-surfaced three years ago by the present chief engineer of the Hamilton Woolen, while I watched him out the window. It was at her mother's house that we had a room with a comrade Rideout, later killed in action. I am sure that it speaks well for him that, a few days ago, the older girl wanted her mother to take in a few more American roomers.

I shall be looking forward to receiving copies of "The Hamiltonian" every month, as Father forwards them on to me. I hope, however, that it will not be so very long before I can drop in on you some day and get around to see all the people who were so kind to me that short period I was with the Company in 1915. I trust that you will remember me to them.

Yours very sincerely,

(CARROLL F. MERRIAM.)

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## Culinary Chats

### Christmas Suggestions

By M. W. MACNIVEN

Most every housewife anticipates giving her family a Christmas dinner, either of turkey, chicken, fowl, duck, or goose and sometimes a crown roast of young pork.

Turkey: fresh killed, the comb bright red, the feet supple, the breast bone easy to bend with the thumb, the skin white and unbroken.

There is no way of selecting frozen poultry; the skin is dark red. Sometimes it is good; you have to take a chance on that. The skin is most always broken on the hip joints. The flesh of poultry



should not be exposed to the air; the same rule applies to chicken, fowl, duck, and goose.

#### A NEW ENGLAND CHRISTMAS MENU

Celery	Sweet Pickles
Rice Soup	
Roast Turkey	Nut Stuffing
Cranberry Sauce	
Hubbard Squash	Boiled Onions
Mashed Potatoes	
Cold Slaw	Plain Lettuce
Pie or Pudding	
Fruit	Nuts Raisins Coffee

Rice soup: Take neck, liver, heart, and gizzard; boil tender in 4 quarts of water; strain and add  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup boiled rice seasoned with a dash of curry powder, celery salt, and white pepper.

Nut stuffing: Five cents' worth of Jumbo salted peanuts passed through a fine meat grinder added to your regular stuffing greatly improves the flavor of both poultry and dressing.

Cranberry sauce passed through a colander removes the pulp, skins, and bitter taste.

Boiled onions should be put in cold water, brought to a boil, strained. This removes the greenish color. Then cover with hot water. Do not season in the first water, as salt sets the color. Season with milk, butter, salt, and pepper.

Roast chicken may take the place of turkey. For fowl fricassee, duck, or

## English Classes

Arrangements are now being made for our English classes for the coming season. These classes will be held in the recreation room with the same teachers that have been teaching for the past two years. We believe that, by having the same teachers that we have had in the past, the employees attending these classes will feel more at home than if we had a corps of new teachers.

It is the desire of the committee to have everyone who is not familiar with the English language take advantage of this opportunity.

Classes will be held twice a week; and at the end of the term, when our graduation takes place, certificates will be given to those who are entitled to them.

Any employee who has a member of his family who desires to join these classes and is over sixteen years of age and is not regularly employed where English classes are being held will be welcome.

It is needless for the committee to make any comments regarding these classes; anyone of the employees that has attended can answer better than we can.

### A Thing of Beauty is a Joy Forever

At the meeting of the Hamilton Club held Tuesday evening, it was unanimously voted that the members of the various athletic teams should receive undying fame by having their photographs, taken by our camera man, placed upon the walls of the recreation rooms for the edification of countless generations to come. A large copy of the picture of the soccer team appearing on the last page of this issue will probably be the first to appear in our hall of fame. It was also voted that, at the close of each athletic team's season the club should manifest their appreciation of the player's efforts by giving them a banquet or other entertainment. Between the promise of immortal renown and the certainty of mundane joys there should be a rush of candidates for next season's teams.

The new fence erected by the Company on West Main Street and around the canal is causing a good deal of anxiety to some of our young people who live on Mill, Pleasant, and Plimpton Streets. They say it means at least one minute less sleep every morning.

goose, dumplings take the place of stuffing.

Celery soup: Take trimmings of celery leaves and roots with a small piece of salt pork; boil two or three hours; strain; thicken with butter and flour.

Currant or apple jelly takes the place of cranberry sauce.

Crown roast of pork: Choose a light strip of pork. Have butcher take off the chine end to first tenderloin chop from chine end. Remove the bottom bone and one inch of rib bone from bottom; then bend the two ends, ribs out, together, forming a circle; tie with strong twine, and stuff the center. Green peppers chopped and used instead of nuts in the stuffing for pork. Apple sauce in place of cranberry sauce.

(To be continued in the next issue)

## Vocational School Notes

It was announced in the July number of "The Hamiltonian" that two prizes would be awarded at the end of the year to the two students taking the textile course at the Southbridge Vocational School who have made the best record for the year. With the time for making the award drawing near, competition among the boys is keen. The prizes have been selected and are on exhibition at the office of the director of the school in the Town Hall.

The boy who has made the best record for the year in the mill will receive a Veeder speed indicator.

The other prize, for the boy with the best record in the school, consists of two books: "Principles of Wool Combing" and "Principles of Worsted Spinning," by Howard Priestman.

The names of the winners will be announced and the prizes presented by Mr. Armstrong, at the school, on January 10, 1921, with the student body of the school present.

Mr. Robert O. Small, state commissioner of vocational education, accompanied by the School Committee of the town, recently visited the school and the mill. Mr. Small was warm in his praise of the work that the Hamilton Woolen Co. is doing in co-operating with the town to give boys a trade training in worsted manufacturing. The textile course in the Southbridge Vocational School is the first of its kind in the state and for that reason is being watched with much interest.

## First Aid Hints

### BURNS

Cover the injured surface with gauze or clean, white, soft rags, wet in a solution of bicarbonate of soda. If the blisters are severe, consult a doctor; otherwise, puncture with a sterile needle and allow the serum to escape, taking care not to remove the skin of the blisters, as it forms a protective covering for the parts underneath.

### WOUNDS

In caring for wounds, it is most necessary to realize that sloughing and infection are apt to follow and that they therefore must be very thoroughly and carefully cleansed. A solution of salt and water (one tablespoonful of salt to a quart of hot water) is the best thing for cleansing all kinds of wounds.

Iodine should not be applied until the wound has been cleansed.

Hygienic surroundings, well-ventilated rooms, especially sleeping rooms, and good food, comprising plenty of vegetables, are some of the secrets of good health.

On Tuesday, November 3, the wind got under the tin roof on storehouse 8 and blew it off, leaving a large number of empty bobbins and some yarn exposed to the rain. The wind was pretty strong that night and rolled the tin up in large rolls, as if it were paper. The damage was covered by insurance.

## Alvin McLean

Alvin McLean, who died on November 16, had been our master mechanic for the past five years, during which time he held and deserved the highest esteem of all. Mr. McLean was aged 64 years and was born in West Fairlee, Vt. Before coming to our plant he held positions of responsibility in Manchester, Lawrence, and other places, so that his experience was varied and extensive.

He was thorough in all that he did, worked always for the best interests of the Company and in close harmony with every department. Under his direction many improvements were effected. His suggestions regarding the work were received with the careful consideration due to one of his excellent judgment, and the large trust reposed in him indicated his true worth. He enjoyed the confidence



and respect of all, and his death has caused widespread sorrow.

Mr. McLean had been ill but a day or two, having been at his post of duty the very day preceding his death. He had complained of not feeling well, but it was supposed he would soon be entirely recovered. His death was caused by dilation of the heart. He is survived by his wife and three children, Alvin L. McLean and Mrs. Leona M. Davis of Providence, and Miss Natalie McLean of Southbridge.

The funeral was Friday, the sixteenth of November, service being held at the Universalist Church, Rev. Charles R. Tenney officiating. Burial was in Pine Grove Cemetery, Manchester, N. H.

The members of Mr. McLean's family wish to express their sincere thanks to all who sympathized with them in their great bereavement and especially to the many who sent floral tributes.



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## Hamilton Club Moving Pictures

There has been added to the equipment of the recreation room a new motion-picture projector. This is a Powers 6-B Cameragraph, which is acknowledged to be the best machine made for the purpose.

At the last Club meeting the Field Day pictures, a six-reel feature, "Vagabond Luck," and a two-reel comedy were shown here. The Field Day pictures were shown at a most satisfactory speed, and both this film and the others were shown more clearly and distinctly than is usual in the ordinary theater. As the permanent booth to enclose the machine had not been built, it was necessary to rent one from Boston; but it is expected that the work will be done in time for the next meeting. This will be held Tuesday, December 14, and two more films have already been secured for the occasion.

One of these is a three-reel film from the Lowell Textile School showing the process of woolen manufacture, from the grease wool through to the finished fabric.

The second film is a five-reel feature loaned to us by the International Correspondence School, entitled "Heads Win." This is said to be one of the most educational films ever shown, combining a most absorbing plot and story and also impressing the advantages possessed by the educated man.

In order to provide for the proper upkeep of the machine a permanent committee will be named by the Club, Mr. Wm. E. Arnold of the Electrical Department to be one of the members. Mr. Arnold has taken great interest in this matter from the start and will very soon be a licensed operator. Dominic Feola, who is employed in Mr. Arnold's department, is a licensed operator and will run the machine for the present.

The other members of the committee, as just announced, are Harry Widdowson and George LaPlante. With the matter of entertainment reposing in the hands of three such able members, the Club may rest assured that many agreeable evenings will be passed in watching the celluloid plots unfold.

Mr. Walter Kriemendahl of the Planning Department has been confined to his home in Springfield for the past two weeks. At the time of writing he is slightly more comfortable, and it is hoped that an operation may be avoided

## How Do You Do?



Miss Alma Berthiaume is one of our pretty spinners; and as she spins, she wears a smile, which makes life in spinning room No. 4 worth while.

Johnny is some expert taster when it comes to sweet cider. Ask him about his experiences in Webster recently. He'll tell you all about it.

Miss Bernadette Ledoux, weaver in Department 6, was married recently to Ami Lavigne of this town.

The Department 6 bowling team has been strengthened by the addition of J. Girouard. John has shown that he can hit the old candle pins, in the few matches he has rolled.

Miss Pion of Department 6 recently spent a few days' vacation with her parents in Webster.

William Toye of Department 6 recently spent the week-end in Haverhill, Mass.

Mr. Birdsall, overseer of the Weaving Department, has moved his family to this town.

Thomas McDonald of Department 6 is some little inventor, his latest being self-hooker cuff buttons. Tom would like a good live salesman to put his little invention on the market.

Victor Valade has severed his connections with Department 6.

The following people have accepted jobs in Department 6 during the past month: Miss Etudiante Mandeville, Maggie Saletnik, Joseph Briere, and Frank Budzienski.

A. L'Heureux has severed his connections with Department 6 and is now working for the Barnes Electrical Co.

Joseph Martin of Department 6 was out recently to attend the funeral of his pet ferret.

Angelina Leduc has returned to her duties in Department 6 after a two weeks' vacation.

John Girouard, formerly of the Northbridge Mills, has accepted a position as a weaver in Department 6.

Napoleon Duquette of Department 6 recently attended the wedding of his son, Eli Duquette, to Miss Georgianna Duchesneau.

Mrs. Lavallee of Department 6 recently attended the wedding of her daughter, Rose Lavallee, to Henry J. Courchaine of Shrewsbury.

Mr. and Mrs. Zoel Dupre of Woonsocket, R. I., have accepted positions as weavers in Department 6.

Miss Mederise Roberts has accepted a position as smash piecer in Department 6.

Arthur Butler of Department 6 was out recently with a severe attack of tonsillitis.

Thomas and Ernest McDonald of Department 6 recently attended the wedding of their sister, Laura McDonald.

Did anyone see a nice-looking machine draw up in front of the main office at 5 P. M. on the evening of the 29th ult.?

Miss Catherine Phalen was the guest of Miss Helen French of Connecticut recently.

Miss Vera Bennette of the main office and formerly of the Packing Department was married to Guy Stevens of Charlton on the eighth of December.

Miss Mae Cuddihy of the office spent a few days with her pal in Worcester a short time ago.

Mr. Charles Johnson was absent from work on the twenty-fourth of November. We have a faint suspicion that he was out chasing the turkey.

Since our last issue, Mr. Martin has (as usual) made several business trips out of town.

The Spinning Department is known as Department No. 3 now, while the Drawing Department is Department 2.

## C. H. Mathews



Our electrical engineer, Mr. Chas. H. Mathews, who is pictured above, has left our organization to take a position as laboratory expert with the General Electric Company in Pittsburgh. Mr. Mathews had been with us just about a year and was well known and liked throughout the entire plant. He is a graduate of M. I. T. and came here from the Fisk Rubber Company of Chicopee, where he held an important position in the Electrical Department. Mr. Mathews married a Southbridge girl, and since they have lived in Southbridge, Chas. H. Mathews, Jr., has arrived. "Matt" was clerk of course at the Field Day, and the energy he put into his efforts was sufficient to raise the Woolworth Building eleven feet off the ground and hold it suspended for eighteen minutes. The result of his endeavors was that he was requested to take charge of the arrangements for the meet between the Hamilton Woolen and the A. O. at the Sturbridge Fair, and here again his work was crowned with success. We wish him "good-bye" and the best of luck in his new location.



Miss Mary Fenton is learning the art of dressmaking at the Malvern Road School, while Miss Margaret Lynch is learning the art of millinery. Therefore we can account for them at least two nights a week.

Mrs. Margaret Hill has returned to us, having recovered from a severe cold.

Miss Eva Jacobs has returned to work in our drawing room.

Judging from Miss Lila Standring's correspondence from Fitchburg, she must be a very popular girl there.

To see our quiet, congenial Miles Burbeck, one would never think he had been a football captain, baseball captain, and cricket captain; but he has carried off all these honors in his earlier days and still maintains a great interest in all of them, as shown by his enthusiasm in all the games of the year. His particular favorite now is football.

Now that Bart Gallagher has a Victrola, he is practicing singing, so that he can make his own records.

In a raffle recently, Mr. Tom Mulcahy told the fellows he wasn't superstitious and, to show that he wasn't, threw back a ticket with number twelve on it and picked up a ticket with number thirteen on it. But, as a result, he was a very sorry man, because Mr. Nugent picked up the ticket with number twelve on it and thereby won a fine, big duck. To celebrate his luck, Pat tied a beautiful, red satin ribbon around the duck's neck and paraded all the way home with the duck, as Mr. Mulcahy watched him with coveting eyes.

Bart Gallagher was going to Lowell recently. A truckman offered Bart a lift to North Lemonist, where Bart could get a car for Lowell. Evidently the truckman changed his mind, for he never stopped the truck until he reached Fitchburg. Bart thought to himself for a few minutes and decided that Worcester was the best place for him. After reaching Worcester, Bart said earnestly, "Take my advice and accept no free rides."

## Right Through the Wall

Our photographer is very keen on getting pictures, and just to prove it he has



set up his camera outside the Top Mill and taken the pictures of these two good-looking top makers right through the wall.

Mr. Frank Randall spent the Thanksgiving holidays in Providence and vicinity.



## Is Popular in the Drawing Room



Those in the Drawing Department will not have to look twice to know who this young lady is. Antonia Pinkehoitch has been with us in the drawing room for a long while, and the way she bustles around at her work is what helps to make such a busy and lively place of the drawing room.

It has become very noticeable how, in the past few weeks, two of the prominent young men of the Shipping and Packing Department are to be seen, soon after dinner every Sunday, patiently waiting for a Worcester-bound car. Finally, the secret has been found out. "Boots" and "Shine" have been going to the little village of Texas, but we are all wise now what the attraction in Texas is.

Mr. Ernest G. Barnes has complained lately of having a frequent visitor in the vicinity of his prize chickens. This has caused him considerable annoyance, until at last a bright thought came to him. John O. Martin, who has attained considerable fame shooting wild cats—thought he—why not procure his assistance in aiding in the capture of this little animal? Mr. Barnes and Mr. Martin both came to work at nine one day last week and announced that, after a long night's vigil, they had captured the little animal who was the cause of so much annoyance.

While on her way to work one noon, Miss Grace Widdowson was struck on the head with a bat, which was wielded by the hands of some small, ardent lovers of baseball. As the result of her injury, Grace was absent from work for a few days, but is now back at her duties. We think that Grace was trying to act out that old sweet song, "I'd Like To Fall Asleep and Wake Up in My Mother's Arms."

Miss Margaret McDonald has taken an interest in the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.

Alberta must have been thinking of the good time she was going to have at Jewett City, when she let the train at Webster pull out right under her nose. She suddenly found herself all dressed up and no place to go.

Mrs. Oscar Bourassa, who has been absent from work suffering with the grippe, has returned to her work again.

Albert Masi of Department 2, who recently underwent an operation in a Worcester hospital, is now able to be around again.

## A Trip Through the Top Mill

### How Worsteds Tops are Made

Contrary to what some people may believe, the Top Mill, i. e., Department 1, does not make tops for small boys to spin. The word "top" used in reference to the worsted manufacturing business means a large ball of wool weighing about 20 pounds, made up of wool which has been washed or scoured snow white and which has been carded, gilled, combed, and made ready for drawing and spinning into yarn.

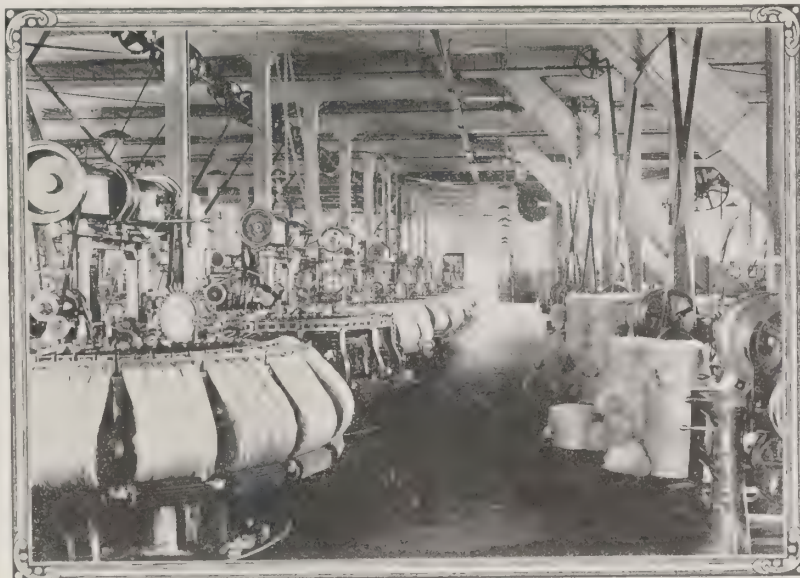
The making of top in a great many instances is a separate and distinct business, where the top maker sells his tops to the spinner or cloth manufacturer. At this plant we have our own top mill; and if we do say it ourselves, it is as completely equipped and as modern as some of the best top mills in the country.

We attempt this little description of top making, thinking that perhaps some Hamiltonians may not have had the opportunity of going through a top mill and therefore may not have a clear conception

slowly from one to another by means of a mechanically operated rake. At the end of each tank, just before the wool drops into the next tank, huge rollers under heavy pressure squeeze the water out of the wool; and, of course, the water takes along with it much of the dirt and grease which has been loosened by the soap and alkali added to the water. Thus the wool is much cleaner as it drops into each consecutive bowl; and at the last bowl, being thoroughly clean, it is conveyed mechanically to the drier, which dries the now clean wool by throwing blasts of hot air through it.

The wool tumbles out of the drier in a cascade of clean, white, fluffy wool, in which one wouldn't hesitate to bury his face, all in thirty minutes after the dirty fleece from the sheep's back has been thrown into the washer.

The wool, as it comes from the washer, having been washed dry of all grease, is



of the processes which the wool must go through between the time it comes from the sheep's back until we see it delivered at the Middle Mill in neat, nicely combed, white balls.

The sorting of the different grades in the fleece is not a part of the top making, as the top maker gets his wool all sorted; and as is the case at this mill, his work begins at the bins where the wool is stored by the wool sorters.

The wool, therefore, when the top maker gets it, is very dirty and is covered with the natural grease with which the sheep keeps the fibers of his coat covered.

The first step in top making is the scouring of the wool; and if any housewife could gaze upon the 15,000 pounds odd which we must scour every day, she would undoubtedly say, "Some job." The manual labor involved in scouring wool nowadays is very slight, however, as the wool is thrown in at one end of the scouring machine and comes out at the other end, of a whiteness that is almost unbelievable after having just looked upon the dirty fleeces from the wool sorters' room.

The scouring machine is, however, very simple, consisting only of four big tanks in which the wool is moved along

sprayed with a pure olive-oil emulsion in order to lubricate the fibers somewhat. It is then delivered to storage bins by means of a blower pipe, to await the carding operations.

The clean wool is next taken to the back of the carding machine and thrown into the hopper of a feeding machine which is so constructed that it weighs out at regular intervals a certain weight of wool and delivers to the card a very even supply of wool. This machine is the Bramwell feed and is one of the greatest of textile inventions. The card now, by means of closely set, sharp-pointed wires mounted on many rollers, pulls the wool fiber from fiber and besides this serves many other purposes such as arranging the fibers in a continuous sliver (round strand of wool) all parts of which are of equal weight and thickness and so blended that all parts contain fibers of every length and quality. The card must also remove as many knots, seeds, and burrs as possible and in worsted, to a certain extent, must comb the wool and lay the fibers straight and nearly parallel, making a sliver in which every fiber retains its greatest length. The card sliver is wound into a ball at the head of

## Beauty Contest?



No, "The Hamiltonian" is not conducting a beauty contest; but if it were, this picture would be among the winners, we are sure. Madeline Bird and Valida Dufault were kidnapped by their overseer, Mr. Hillam of Department 4; and when they stepped outside behind Mr. Hillam, they found the camera all set up and ready to "shoot" them. It takes Mr. Arnold, the photographer, a long time to focus such pictures as this; he keeps looking and looking.

Harry Widdowson recently drove his car down towards Stafford, and, going down hill, it ran beautifully. On the upgrade, there was a slight tendency to hold back, and, this becoming more noticeable, he got out to investigate. To his surprise, the rear axle had sprung apart, and all the driving gears and the differential were scattered along the road between Southbridge and Stafford. The momentum of the car had kept it running along; but, when he once stopped, it would not go again. It was necessary to send away for parts, and for two weeks the automobile rested in Connecticut. When it was finally ready to take the road again, the weather had turned bad and a heavy sleet was falling, which froze as it fell. Upon arriving home, Harry discovered that, in addition to the straight-trip distance, he had covered eighteen extra miles, which must have been due to skidding. But then, it's a good car that will go sideways or backward as well as straight ahead.

Nolia Proulx of Department 9 made a wager with Pete Leduc of Department 9 bowling team that he would not bowl over 242 in the match against the dye-house. Pete needed ten more pins in the last box of the last string to win, and he made a sixteen spare. Miss Proulx bought Pete a dozen chocolate éclairs, and we think that Harvioux and Butler of Department 6 would have to go some to beat Pete at putting away éclairs.

Walter Connors, Department 9, attended the wedding of his sister in Norwich, Conn., recently.

Bessie Hogan spent Thanksgiving in Worcester with Mrs. Richard Powers, a former Hamilton worker.

Warren, oh, no, not Warren G. Harding, but Warren, Mass., is quite popular with some of the finishing room ladies on Monday evenings, and they make the journey in Packards, Hudson Super Sixes, and last, but not least, a Ford Sedan. The girls have asked us not to mention names.

All folks interested in a good comedy had better watch the Hamilton Pals' doings for the next month.

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## Mystery Picture



We here present the photograph of one of the most popular young persons in the mill. We cannot remember ever having published the picture of anyone who merits undying fame as greatly as does this young lady. The smile on her lips and the come-hither tilt of her hat would be enough to make her stay bright in our memories forever. There is one circumstance, however, that, while it is not really anything against her, should be explained before we can whole-heartedly guarantee her; and that is the fact of her being seen only two weeks ago coming out of a down-town barber-shop.

We always offer a prize to the lucky one who solves the problem on these pictures, and this shall be no exception to the rule. What better reward could be offered than to allow the winner of the contest to take this flower of our flock to dinner at the Bancroft?

Walter Connors is a mighty fine goal tender; some say the best in the Triangle Soccer League. We think he can also lay claim to being a very good salesman. Walt got rid of fifty-one tickets for the Whittall-Hamilton game. We do not claim a record for Walt, but it is sure going some.

Did you see Joe Brown dance at the tennis racket and ball? Some artist is Joe. He said he felt fine that night.

To the casual observer it would appear that Southbridge is a sufficiently settled and civilized community to be immune from the attacks of wild animals. Such is not the case. One of our employees recently received a telephone call from his wife who appealed for immediate help, saying that a skunk was trying to get in the kitchen door. Instead of showing any excitement the gentleman in question calmly told her to shut the door. Then he leisurely walked up High Street and going to the front door collected arms and ammunition, then going out the back door, assassinated the unwelcome visitor.

We can only warn skunks and cats (wild and tame) to lie low when an ex-sailor looms up in the offing.

## Through the Top Mill

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the card, and these balls are taken to the next process, called gilling.

The gilling process is simple but is nevertheless, important and serves besides its combing action to make the sliver of even weight, because of the many doublings used. Eight or ten card balls are put in back of the gill and their ends fed in. The wool is then drawn by means of rollers through several sets of steel combs called fallers. The fallers are set closely together and have a forward horizontal motion which is somewhat slower than that at which the wool is drawn through by the rollers. This requires that the wool be drawn slowly through the many pins of the fallers, thereby combing it.

Having been twice gilled, the resulting sliver is wound into tight balls which may be set in the creels of the Noble comb and which may be drawn into the comb as the wool is combed little by little.

The Noble comb, on which the wool is actually combed, is one of the most intricate and most interesting machines to watch of any connected with the textile business. The whole machine, with the exception of the base and the center working parts, revolves around the center. Eighteen large balls of wool are carried on its outside circumference in the creels, which allow the wool to be fed in a little at a time. The comb takes out all the short fibers which are not suitable for worsted spinning and by drawing out the fibers, which are held between many closely set pins, and laying them parallel to one another a sliver is made which, when having been made of uniform weight by doubling and gilling, is suitable for drawing and spinning which will make it into yarn.

The comb slivers before they are made into top are given a final gilling, putting up about twenty ends to the gill, which will give a sliver of suitable weight at the front of the machine where the completed top ball is wound.

These balls of silky, nicely combed out and scoured wool are carefully marked with colored chalk to indicate the quality of the wool contained in them and are then sent to the Middle Mill, where they are aged for a short while in order to set the fibers in their parallel position.

The handling and preparing of large quantities of virgin wool is one of the most fascinating branches of the textile industry.



George H. Johnson, who left us recently to accept a position as dyer in a Pawtucket mill.

Last week while warning one of his assistants not to step on the cover of a disused well in the basement of the Globe Department store our Davie Simpson in his anxiety to explain not what to do, fell into this same well and was with difficulty rescued. We understand that he will present his rescuer with an angora goat instead of a medal.

Two Sides of the Same Question  
Settle It Yourself

What a good many people at the Dispensary thought the other noon would be a lively scrap proved to be only a battle of words between a member of Department 9 girls' bowling team and a member of the electricians' bowling crew. The argument started over a match that was to be rolled off sometime in the near future between the two teams. Captain Arnold of the wire men sent a challenge to Captain Dumas of the finishers, and the challenge was promptly accepted by the girls. It was easy money for them, the men offering the girls 40 pins a string or a total of 120 pins for the three strings. Everything was progressing nicely until someone whispered in Captain Arnold's ear. The exact nature of the whisper is not known; but Ralph immediately summoned his bowlers together, and they decided they would bowl the girls on even terms or not at all. Captain Dumas of the girls' team, on hearing of the new terms, absolutely refused to bowl, saying the men issued the challenge and made the terms that suited themselves at the time of the challenge and why they wanted to change now was a mystery, unless they wanted to avoid a match with the girls, thereby avoiding domestic trouble that might arise, as was the case last year when these two teams met with the girls as victors and a pound box of chocolates each as the spoils.

## And the Other Side's Story

Bill Dennison will win no cigars this year, and by the same token the finishing room girls will win no boxes of chocolates from the Electrical Department.

The custom of the last few years, whereby the finishing room girls' bowling team bowled a special match against the men of the Electrical Department has been shot to pieces because of an altercation. The Electrical Department has given the girls a handicap of 120 pins every year, which the girls so far haven't needed, as they have copped the chocolates easily every year.

This year the girls were short one of their regular players, Miss Nolia Proulx, on the night of the match and wanted Miss Albee to bowl in the position left vacant. The wire twisters couldn't agree to this, as they claimed that they were already giving the girls large odds. They offered to postpone the match, bowl with four players on each side, or make any other arrangement whereby it would be straight finishing room girls against electricians. Of course, with Ralph Arnold's new cross alley ball and Bill Dennison's improved average against them, the girls may be a little scared. At any rate, unless some good mediator comes along, the match is off this year; and the electricians will be deprived of the opportunity of giving a box of chocolates to somebody besides their wives.

They do say that most every soda fountain in town went dry the night of November 20. Why? Ask the A. O. Co.

Jack Farquhar, section hand in No. 2 draw room, has recently purchased two cottages, the car barn, and eight acres of land from the Southbridge and Worcester St. Ry. Co. The property is located on Sturbridge Road, just over the town line from Southbridge.

## Bowling

## Team Standing to November 24 Inclusive

MEN			
Dept.	Won	Lost	Pinfal
6	30	2	10,508
2	26	6	10,071
16	21	11	9,915
1	20	12	10,126
8	20	12	10,046
15	18	14	9,762
9	18	14	10,110
14	13	19	9,521
17	10	22	9,231
10	10	22	9,328
18	4	28	9,095
1A	2	30	8,855

High single—D. M. Murphy, 134. High 3 strings—C. Pleau, 314, Department 6. Team totals—highest single, Department 6, 491; highest 3 strings, Department 6, 1,358.

GIRLS			
Dept.	Won	Lost	Pinfal
7	26	6	8,863
9	25	7	8,922
20	11	21	8,058
6	2	30	7,856

High single—Mrs. Dennison, 97. Highest 3 strings—N. Proulx, Department 9, 267. Team totals—highest single, 419, Department 9; highest 3 strings, 1,221, Department 9.

## Individual Averages

MEN—TEN HIGHEST TO NOVEMBER 24			
Name	Dept.	Ave.	
C. Pleau	6	97.4	
G. Lavallee	2	92.2	
Greenwood, Jr.	1	91.9	
F. Greenwood	16	91.6	
J. Buckley	15	88.9	
J. Splaine	8	88.6	
J. Craite	16	87.6	
P. Champigny	6	87.4	
H. Fairbanks	17	87.2	
D. Murphy	15	87.0	

## GIRLS—FIVE HIGHEST

N. Proulx	9	80.0
Mrs. Dennison	7	78.5
L. Albee	7	76.0
E. Leno	7	74.4
N. Brennan	9	74.2

Individual averages will be printed complete in next month's issue of "The Hamiltonian."

## Hamilton Bowling League Schedule

Date	Day	Dept.	vs.	Dept.	Alleys
Dec. 20	Mon.	10	vs.	9	1-2
		1	"	16	3-4
		2	"	5-14	5-6
22	Wed.	17	"	1A	3-4
		15	"	18	5-6
		6	"	8	1-2
27	Mon.	8	"	10	1-2
		1	"	2	3-4
		16	"	5-14	5-6
29	Wed.	6	"	9	1-2
		17	"	18	3-4
		15	"	1A	5-6
Jan. 3	Mon.	1	"	5-14	5-6
		16	"	2	3-4
		6	"	10	1-2
5	Wed.	8	"	18	1-2
		9	"	1A	5-6
		15	"	17	3-4
10	Mon.	5-14	"	18	5-6
		9	"	15	1-2
		10	"	1A	3-4
12	Wed.	1	"	6	1-2
		16	"	8	3-4
		2	"	17	5-6
17	Mon.	10	"	18	5-6
		17	"	9	1-2
		15	"	5-14	3-4
19	Wed.	1	"	8	5-6
		16	"	6	3-4
		2	"	1A	1-2
24	Mon.	1	"	9	3-4
		16	"	17	5-6
		2	"	10	1-2
26	Wed.	1A	"	5-14	5-6
		15	"	8	1-2
		18	"	6	3-4



## Hamilton Club

Rules for compensation to be paid athletes representing the Club in case of injury:

1. In order to receive compensation the individual must be a member of the Club in good standing and must be a regular member of the squad of a recognized sport in which teams represent the Club in competition with teams outside of the H. W. Co. These sports at present consist of (1) baseball, (2) soccer football, (3) track athletics, but other sports may be added from time to time as the Club directs.

2. An injury for which compensation is to be paid, must be the result of an accident which occurs in scheduled games, or in regular practice for games, under the direction of the Club officials.

3. The injury must be reported at once to the manager, and there must be two witnesses to vouch for the nature and occurrence of the accident.

4. A doctor's certificate must also be supplied, vouching for the nature and seriousness of the injuries.

5. All doctor's bills incurred for injuries sustained and vouched for as required by these rules will be paid by the Club.

6. Compensation for loss of wages will be paid by the Club for any absence from work due to injury vouched for according to these rules, if the absence exceeds two days' time; and the rates paid shall be \$3 per day for a married man and \$2 a day for an unmarried man, and compensation shall be paid for the days of regular employment lost on account of said injury, not counting Saturdays.

Mr. Albert Sickman spent Thanksgiving with his father in Springfield.

Miss Edna Small, who for the last month or so has been studying in Springfield, has returned to the Planning Department to accommodate us in the present rush of stock-taking.

Mr. Arthur B. Cooke of the Boston office is here to assist during inventory.

## A Football Fan

This is a picture of Warren E. Bates, our most enthusiastic football fan. Warren has attended every game, both at home and away. Next season we will have to adopt this little fellow for mascot.



## Soccer Season Ends with Big Blow-Out

The Soccer Committee of the Hamilton Club was so elated over the successful showing that the team made this season that plans were formulated to fittingly observe the closing of the season by having a soirée in the form of a jollification banquet and dance, Wednesday evening, December 1. It was certainly a jolly crowd that sat down to the nicest and choicest display of eats that Mr. McNiven, manager of Hamilton Lodge, could put out.

### MENU

Grape Fruit	Maraschino Cherries
Blue Points on Half Shell	
Chicken Gumbo Soup	
Boiled Bluefish	Hollandaise Potatoes
Celery	Olives
Roast Turkey	Nut Pepper Stuffing
	Cranberry Sauce
Mashed Potatoes	Turnips
Green Peas	Hot Raised Rolls
Pineapple Fritters au glacé	
Lettuce Cucumber, Tomato Mayonnaise	
Hot Apple Pie	Harlequin Ice Cream
	Dutch Crackers and Cheese
	Café Noir

The banquet was held at seven o'clock at the Hamilton Lodge, after which the party repaired to the recreation room, where the women folks were waiting to help celebrate the occasion with a dance and entertainment. The Hamilton Orchestra furnished music. Richard Yates, chairman of the committee, acted as master of ceremonies and kept things

a-humming in his characteristic way. Everybody had a smile sewed on, and the stitch wasn't scissored until home was reached.

Incidents and plays were recalled and recounted. The good times on the trucks to games away from home were talked over and furnished much amusement to men and women alike. The greatest outburst of enthusiasm and display of smiles that stretched from ear to ear, however, was when one of the jolly crowd at the post-prandial of the banquet reminded the gathering of the sweet and juicy little ol' 2-0 plum that was plucked by the Hamiltons from our neighbors' confidence tree in their own backyard. Then pent-up hilarity knew no bounds; and the applause that greeted the remark rivaled that at the game itself, when Arthur Whiteoak kicked one goal and then another.

Toasts were drunk to the team, and high hopes were entertained for a championship team next year.

The invited guests were E. Benj. Armstrong, A. C. Varnum, Charles Cornock, J. H. Wilcock, H. O. Jackson, H. T. Ryan, and J. V. Laughnane.

The committee in charge was: Richard Yates, Joseph McNally, David Simpson, Ernest Birdsall, John Swift, Percy Whiteoak, Joseph Buckley, Robert Kershaw, Sr., William Kermock, David Yates, and Wm. Bates.

## Bowling Briefs

D. Murphy now holds the record for high single, knocking them down for 134.

Another record was made last week by Darling of the Office team getting eight boxes of five each in one string, 57 for total. Some string!

Captain Perkins of Department 15 and Captain Richard Morrissey of the belt shop rolled two five-string matches to determine who is the better man. Morrissey beat by a very small margin in the first match but came back strong in the second, winning by 51 pins. The match was refereed by Darling.

Ralph Arnold is taking lessons in bowling. He has improved quite a lot. Look out for the electricians.

The Office team showed the spinners that they could show how to bowl on alleys as well as on paper, when they took one point with only three men.

Josephine Dumas defeated Wilfred Paulus in a three-string bowling match last week by two pins. The total score was: Miss Dumas, 263; W. Paulus, 261. Miss Dumas narrowly escaped injury before the match, as one of Mr. Parent's assistants at the Pastime alleys had just finished washing the floor when Miss Dumas arrived to do a little practicing prior to the match. The floor was wet; and as she rolled the first ball down the polished lane, her feet slipped and she tried to follow the ball down the alley, much after the fashion of a boy coasting on Bunker Hill with a single sled. Mr. Parent felt very badly because of the incident and says in the future, when he washes the floor, he will see that it is perfectly dry before allowing any one to bowl.

## Cafeteria

Hot coffee, tea, and cocoa taste pretty nice these cold noons. Pies, cakes, cookies, and various other eatables that taste pretty good you will find here also.

When you are finished with your lunch, step into the waiting room of the employment office and enjoy a game of cards, dominoes or checkers, and smoke, if you desire, while looking over the latest periodicals; or if you do not care for this kind of recreation, step into the rooms below, where dancing is in order until six minutes of one.

Eva Girard spent Thanksgiving in Spencer.

Marie Rose Craite visited friends in Worcester.

Wilfred Vreeland visited relatives in New Jersey during Thanksgiving holidays.

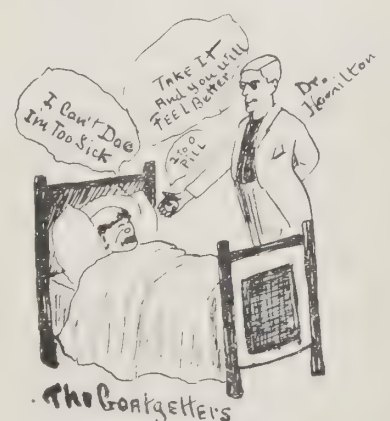
Flore LePain attended the wedding of a friend in Manchester, N. H., and visited friends in Concord, N. H., during Thanksgiving holidays.

Mr. Mason got through to Miami in fine shape, with the exception of one accident to his trailer, when going through one of the bad gullies in Georgia. In some places the roads were worse than the "Breakneck Road," and it was a common sight to see machines hung up on the roadside. The rents are very high in Miami, and also the places of entertainment are high in prices. But all the same, the food is good and plentiful, and the Kafferinaas give a high-class feed at a reasonable price. Mr. Mason is painting at present and getting good wages. Both he and his wife are in the best of health and find the country agreeable.

George Laughlin, late of the Barre Wool Combing Co., has taken charge of No. 6 spinning room. Mr. Loughlin replaces James Hainsworth.

One of our friends in the Lower Mill has long desired to have a larger henyard but, due to the cost of wire to enclose the extra land, felt that he could not afford this luxury. Last week he was astounded to find a roll of chicken-wire reposing in his front yard. Earnest inquiry failed to give any clue to the donor, and so, "taking the gifts the gods provide," he enlarged the pullet pasture, greatly to the satisfaction of himself and the fowls. He now gives notice that anybody desiring to get rid of a Ford touring-car in good running order may dispose of it in similar fashion.

## A Bitter Pill







1, Arthur Whiteoak; 2, Kenneth Crosman; 3, Walter Connors; 4, Joseph Brown; 5, Percy Whiteoak; 6, Raymond Gates; 7, George McCann; 8, John Rowley; 9, William Wade; 10, Wilfred Yates; 11, Capt. Joe Buckley. Arthur Butler and Amie Latoie are also members of the team, but were ill when the pictures were taken.

### Soccer Notes

The Hamilton soccer team journeyed to Whitinsville, Mass., on November 6 to play the Whittin Machine Co. of that town and were defeated by a score of 3 to 1 after a hard, fast game.

Our boys were up against the fastest lineup that Whitins could put on the field, and said lineup was fully equal to Nortons' at their best; but our boys went in and made them hustle every minute of the game.

The first goal for Whitins was scored by Jackson, who played outside left, and it was a "peach," as Connors thought he was one of the subs on the sidelines; and before he knew it, the ball was in the net. The second goal for Whitins was put in after they had been shooting at our goal for about five minutes and was scored by Fowler (inside left) after a pretty pass by Gunlay, outside right. The third goal for Whitins was scored by Fowler also, as Connors missed his kick and it was an easy goal for Whitins. Just before the end of the game our boys hit their stride and took the ball down the field; and Wade made a pretty pass to Arthur Whiteoak, who lost no time in shooting one in for our only score. Butler played his usual fast game at left halfback until he was injured and John Rowley took his place. Our boys put up a good game and won the admiration of the Whitins' rooters by their gameness and aggressiveness.

On November 13 we met the "Nortons" on Hamilton Field and held them to a

scoreless tie. Our boys played a "whale of a game" and missed two or three goals by their over-anxiety.

Joe Buckley, who played a wonderful game at center half, had Jenkins, the star forward of Nortons, tied up all afternoon; and Jenkins was not able to show the cleverness he usually does when he is playing. Everyone of our boys played a star game, and Nortons were lucky they were not defeated.

On November 20 the Hamilton team met the A. O. Co. on "Wellsworth" Field, and the home talent went down to a 2 to 0 defeat. The home talents were all set for a win, but "our boys" after the first part of the game "opened up," and the A. O. Co.'s never had a look-in.

We will give them credit for trying hard, but the megaphones were silent as "our boys" left the field in a happy, joyous throng. Both of the Hamilton goals were scored by Arthur Whiteoak the first from a pretty corner kick by McCann and the second from a pass by Wade, who played a fine game. Conn, the fullback for A. O. Co., tried to stop Arthur's shot with his foot; but he made the mistake of not using the scoreboard instead of his foot, as then he might have had a chance. Captain Joe Buckley played another fine game at center half, and all the other boys on our team did likewise in their positions. Connors, in booting the ball down the field, shot it rather low, and it caught our "Old Reliable" Joe Brown on the wrist, sprain-

ing it badly; but "Joe" stuck the game out and booted them as of "yore."

### Another Account of the Game Reads:

We won the honors of the day, thanks to the fearless and steady play of our boys in maroon. Did you stop to think what it would have meant to us at this end of the town, had our boys not been the victors? That game alone has done more for soccer in Southbridge than all our other games this season. Soccer is here to stay. Although spectators from each end of the town wanted someone of their favorites to "get" somebody else, the play of both teams was good, clean football. We are glad to have the keen rivalry of our friends from the A. O. Co.; and let us hope each and all our contests may be as clean as our last two soccer games with them, both of which were played without one single attempt from either side to play dirty football. We wish to thank our friends for their share of the program and hope that next season our games with each other may have just as much zip and pep to them as they have had this year.

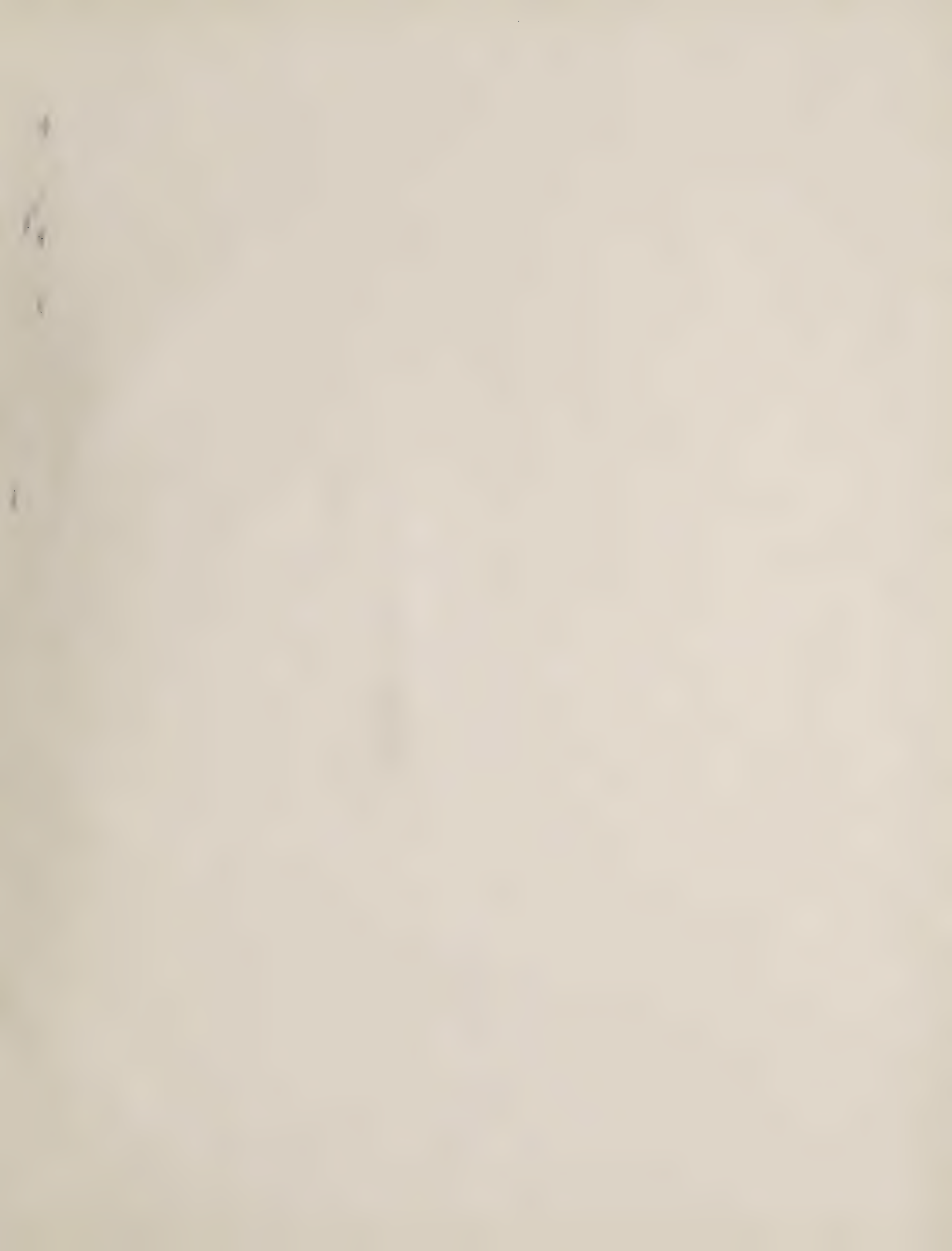
The tenth and final game of the Hamilton soccer team's schedule was played Saturday, November 27, at Hamilton Field, with the fast Whittalls' team as our opponents and resulted in a win for the Hamiltons by a score of 4 to 1. The field was in poor condition, owing to the recent rains, and was very slippery; but that did not seem to deter either team from putting up a fast, snappy game. The superior teamwork of our boys

gave them the game by a safe margin, but the Whittalls also showed some fine teamwork when they scored their only goal with only five minutes to go in the last half of the game. Two of the goals scored by Hamilton were scored by Billy Wade, our fast center forward; one by Arthur Whiteoak, who was playing inside left; and the last one by George McCann, our outside right. All the goals scored were good, clean ones after some pretty passing on both sides. The goal for Whittalls was scored by Jenkins, a brother of Nortons' star forward. There were three Monks brothers on the Whittall team.

Bob Kershaw, who was referee, said that it was one of the cleanest played games he had ever officiated at. The net proceeds of the game, which will be about \$130, will be given to Amie Latoie, who is a member of our team and is seriously ill with typhoid and who has a small child ill with the same malady.

The final standing of the league will be officially determined at the league meeting to be held in the near future in Worcester; but the Hamilton team is assured of third place by their win over the Whittalls, and, considering our poor start, the team has made a creditable showing. We have the distinction of having the most drawn battles (three in number); also, we are the only team in the league who have held Nortons and the American Optical scoreless. In closing, the committee and players wish again to thank the Hamilton fans and outside well-wishers for their generous support.



















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